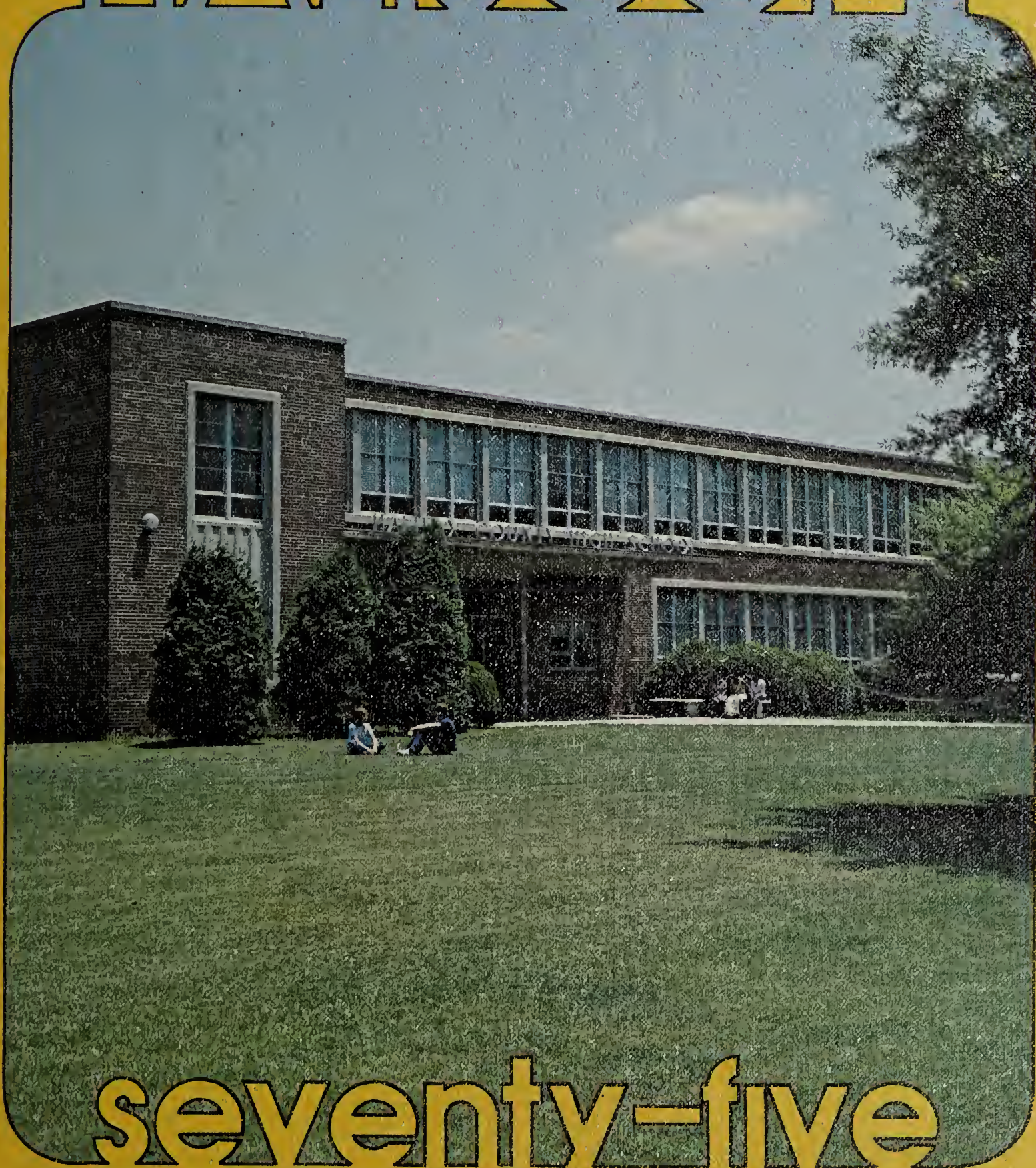


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Well,
Allison
We've
officially
made
being
serious,
I really
didn't +
know
you good
what this
you, that
you I
just knew
"you were
kind's
Gulfward"
it has
been nice
getting to
know you
in Sally's
class +
in Belly
Dancing
Now, we
will start
knowing
each other
in volleyball - who
knows with
all our
sports, we
will either
get skinny
or get to
the Olympics
(Belly Dancing
Olympics?)
Well, next
year, you
can come
stay with
me in
Raleigh +
show me
all the
hot spots
since you used to live there +
I will come see you at VPI. Well, Tommy
have a nice rest of your life
+ I will see you some
more. Maybe one night, you, me, or Kale can belly-dance in front of John, Scott, + Nick.
Leus, Ma. Nelson.

Allison,
It sure has been fun in
the period listening to your socio-
logical poems - maybe you'll
be another Bob Dylan. When I
say that, I say it with a "half"
straight face. It sure will be
going straight into college
with each other and not be all
alone. See you this fall, Miss
Casko.
Love,
Lynn Mitchell

Allison,
Hope you have nothing but
good luck in the future. You're
not fat! So I hope you can
convince yourself of that
Friends forever,
Love,
Jerry Ingram
P.S. I like your poems
so keep on writing!

Allison,
It's been fun having you
in my World Lit. and
Sec-Econ. classes. Can't
wait until June! Best
of luck in the future
at college and later!
Friends,
Robin Carter

Allison,
It's really been hell fighting
through World Literature class
and trying to get our Algebra homework
done. But the thing to always remember
is Don Waldo's second period and
all of the prints that he cheated
us out of. If you are in Durham
next year come to see me at Duke.
Good luck in the future.
Love,
Allison

the really were great getting
to know you a lot better
the year I went there fight
then before ever (is)! We really
really good time. Best ever
fight all the even good times
that all the fun of us have
had with! I hope you all have
with a wonderful summer!
where we went to Jackson and +
when you all the best
when John! you're really in
person, and when you see
seniority, you're to go in the
future!
Love,
Damon (T-BONE)

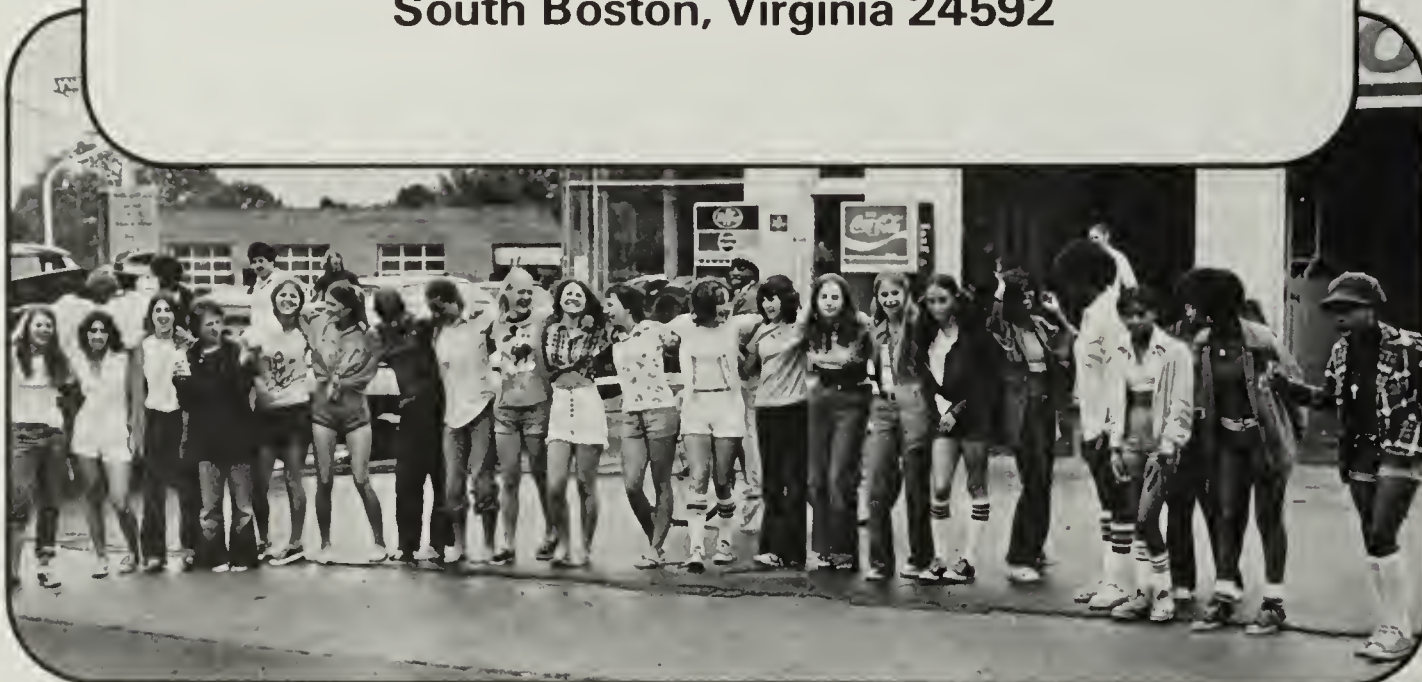


Banner banter. Comet fans tell their team where to go in the rankings of the Triple-A state basketball semi-finals at U.Va.

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Chorus line. A bevy of bubbling beauties exhibit their roadside manner as they lure motorists into a cheerleader-sponsored car wash on Wilborn Avenue.

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Till! The cast of "Rock'n' Roll" yell and laugh as Stanley Bliss struggles for balance after the failure of a makeshift prop at play practice.

BREAK IN

Even though the building has been here since '53 and is frayed, worn and tight-fitting like old jeans, this is the sophomores' "new" school. It's senior high school now. For all 745 of them.

They break into the routine as they wander through their circuit of numbered doors. They seek comfort and information from friends who are probably as confused as they feel themselves. Safety is in numbers, these rookies soon find. After all, they are the largest class.

As the revered traditions and accepted misdemeanors are revealed to the tenderfeet, their ties to the junior high or academy unravel and in this denouement of childhood, they learn the ropes that hold HCSH together. The sophomores learn where their teachers rank in the scale: loath, hate, dislike, tolerate, prefer, like, worship. They rate everything, cafeteria meals to Christmas vacation. Soon they are prepared to tell a good year from a usual one.



Atlas shrugged. Balancing a mirrored globe, Eric Newton disconnects wiring during the sophomores' cleanup of the Junior-Senior Prom.



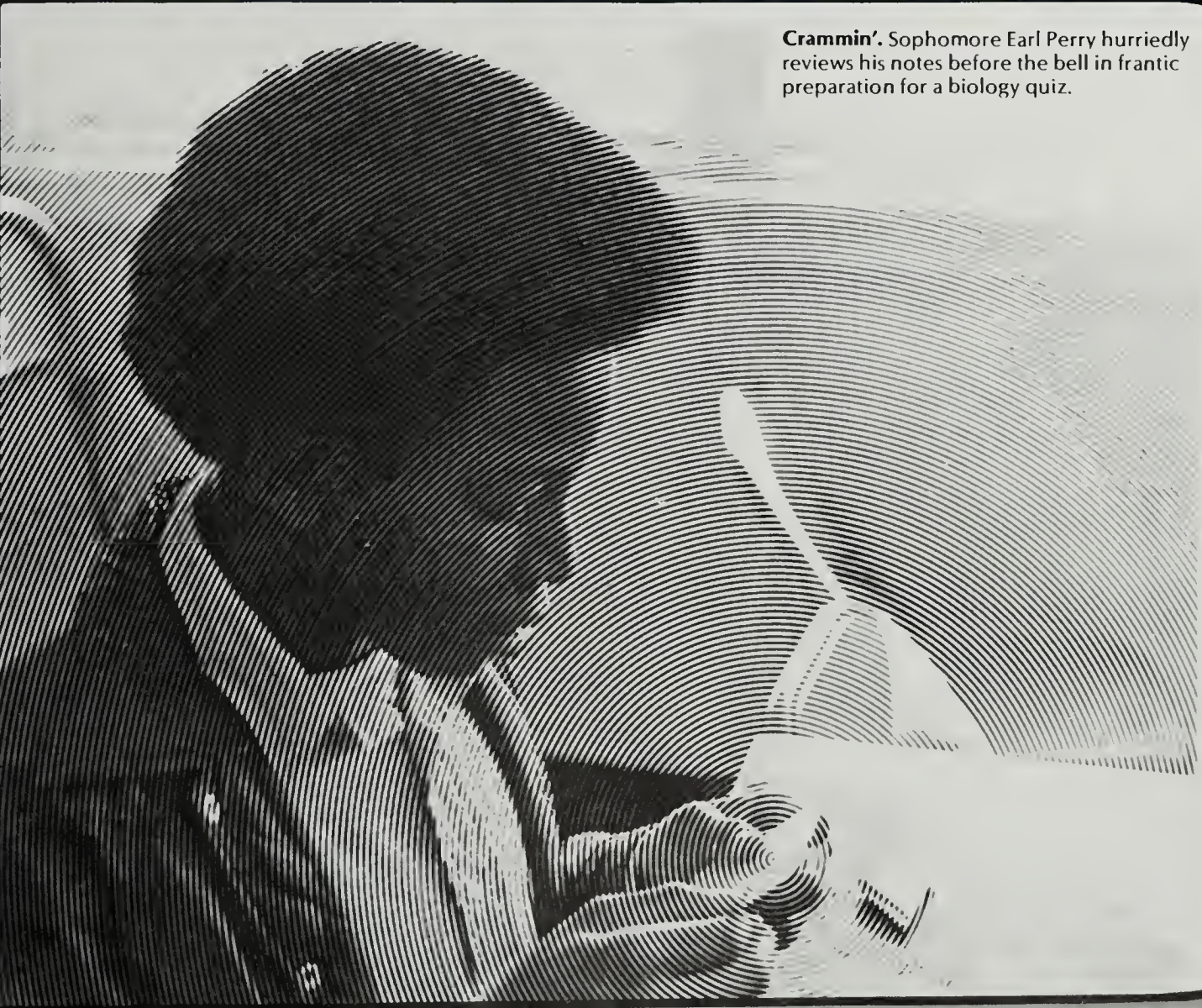
No toro? Matador Jenny Morgan seems close to fainting on the Spanish Club's Homecoming float. Her adversary, Donna Talbott, isn't worried.

DO'S

- Learn to get along in Algebra II, sweetie.
- Memorize bus, locker, home room and student numbers for a feeling of identity.
- Get well acquainted with someone who drives to school.

DON'TS

- Ask seniors for advice, they just laugh.
- Mistake the bandroom for the library unless you want to read "Canzona."
- Use underwear as a washcloth in P.E.



Crammin'. Sophomore Earl Perry hurriedly reviews his notes before the bell in frantic preparation for a biology quiz.



Show stopping. Head Comette Lydia Tuck holds for applause after a halftime number featuring the drill corps.

MAINTENANCE

Keep up your grades. Why aren't you studying? Finish your homework. How many times do juniors hear such nagging in their second year? A mixed chorus of teachers, parents and guidance counselors chant as their charges pass their high school halfway mark. It seems as though everything happens the junior year.

The college-bound have an "abbreviated" year as they sit through the PSAT, ASVAB, SAT or ACT. Others make career plans and preparations through vocational programs. Some don't appear to know where they're going or what they're doing and don't (mind your business!) care anyway. Whether active or apathetic, however, the juniors appear to be into everything.

These "middle children" have been around. The halls hold few surprises now, no unexpected dead ends or principals. The juniors have long ago

learned to time the five minutes between classes, making it to the restroom (if unlocked), water fountain, locker and past the teacher on guard duty at the door before the bell. They also have learned not to trust the whimsical bell schedule for fifth period but to haul into class with ample time to watch the panic and scurries caused by the unexpected clanging.

With a full year under their belts, the juniors also have a reminder around their fingers. The arrival of class rings is a highlight of the year for many, money providing. Other traditions remain. For some the National Honor Society inductions bring honor; for others varsity sports bring cheers. The junior year is well-marked.

One girl described it as "purgatory between the hell of being a sophomore and the heaven of being a senior." Extreme? Maybe.

EVERY DAY:

- Try to get an excused absence from Mrs. Penick (and see what happens).

EVERY WEEK:

- See if your hot dog bun looks familiar from the previous week.

EVERY SIX WEEKS:

- Get grounded for report cards.

EVERY SEMESTER:

- Brag to friends in other schools about your lack of exams.



Work and play. During breaks in the action at a tennis match, Terrie Weaver and Barbara Cage get a jump on their next day's geometry.

Rail birds. Junior marshals Ed Owens and Frank Godbold wait to lead out seniors during graduation practice.

Senior shades. Sunshine brought out sun glasses at the Class Day Assembly. Don Lowery, Rodney Long, Joan Lowery, Mark Long, Mike Lowery, Monty Lowery and Stanley Lowery listen as award winners are announced.

RECOMMENDED:

- Get complexion cleared before senior pictures.
- Find out what your brother did for his term paper two years ago.
- Find a job.

NOT ADVISED:

- Shorting out an electronics kit in physics.
- Playing chicken in the parking lot.
- Skipping school to watch "The Young and the Restless."



You made it. By the time the seniors read this, they hopefully will be moving on. Congratulations? For just barely sliding by the last six weeks? For cutting class? For carving an obscene statement on the desk top? For learning?

The seniors learned; they had to. English, art, party spots. French, home ec., county roads. Algebra, band, telephone numbers. The diploma shows that the graduate has successfully lived through twelve years of report cards, but then what happens? No one spends his whole life in high school as a student. As the year progresses, the senior finds himself being prepared to be pushed on. Despite the bold, loud talk and the parties of celebration, many find it a little frightening to leave the shelter of being a high school student. Admit it, now.

In English, DE classes or special assemblies, the senior hears how to conduct one's self in a job interview. In government the senior is lectured on the responsibility of the voters in running the government. Time may have varied speeds, but only one direction. As the graduate's life moves forward, he is expected to leave some things behind. What he leaves and what he takes . . . well, the guidance people are paid to worry.

TRADE IN



Pre-game lull. Baby sitting was the job Harry Morris got roped into while he waits for time to change into his varsity togs for the home Patrick Henry basketball game. Larry Scott finds the wait before preparing for his appearance on the court to be dull.

Slow day. Hall monitoring on the administrative floor during sixth period gives Dale Hardie a chance to catch up on that English homework.

Accessories

Accessories available for student life

- Renting a \$60 tux before asking for a date to the prom.
- Breaking up for the third time at lunch.
- Never using your own locker.
- Running out of yellow napkins for the float five minutes before the Homecoming parade is to begin.





Old and young. People of all ages gather at the Teen Crusade for a night of religious inspiration. Speakers included Billy Zeoli and Erv Lewis.

Melody man. Bruce Lee is one of many music lovers who find time to break away from academics for a few minutes of rock and soul on his tape player.

The morning parade

By Nancy Shelton

It's 8:15. The early-comers are here and the morning promenade has begun. There are tall ones, short ones, fat ones, skinny ones. Some are the intellectual types who carry stacks of books, notebooks, calculators and other paraphernalia; and then there are the kind who haven't felt the weight of a book all year. There is a lull of conversation in the lobby. In one corner sit the mathematicians:

"Hey, did you get number 3?"

"Sure, it was easy."

"Yeah? Well, what'd you get?"

" $49\sqrt{2} + 31\sqrt{6} + 98\sqrt{3} + \dots$ "

"Never mind. Forget I asked."

In another corner sit two lovers sharing those silent looks of pure, delightful love.

And then, sitting in the middle of the hall is the "clic," talking over the weekend.

"Well, I dated Tom Friday night, Dean Saturday night and Bob Sunday afternoon. And do you know what? They're all disgusting. Ugh!"

"Really? That bad, huh?"

"You're not kidding. Tom talks only about cars, Dean about sports and Bob about . . . well, never mind. What'd you do this weekend?"

"Well, Friday night I watched TV. Saturday night I watched TV
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The lineup. Stanley Lowery, Curtis Morris, James Meeler, Ricky Lacks, Billy Bradley and Charles Green always find time to girl-watch before the nine o'clock bell.



Silent thoughts. Secluded in their own world of silence, Karen Meadows and Marshall Slayton may forget that classes will begin in a few minutes.

Morning rap session. Sophomores, juniors and even a few seniors "sit it out" in the main lobby to catch up on the latest gossip.



The morning parade

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and Sunday . . . I watched some more TV.

Others stand around talking about Friday night's game.

"Hey, Ed, that was a really great layup you made the other night to break the tie and win the game in the last three seconds."

"Thanks. Well, see you later. I've got to make my rounds." It's 8:25 as Ed Owens begins his walk around the school. Down through the lobby, out the door, down the sidewalk to catch up with a friend to chat about the exciting weekend, in another door, back down the hall and into the coaches' office to discuss new tactics for an upcoming game — it's all part of his morning stroll.

Students are arriving continually now and the halls are getting more crowded. Those who drive to school and those lucky enough to hitch rides with them begin to congregate on stair landings, at lockers, water fountains and at classroom doors as they wait for teachers to come with the keys. Buses are starting to pull in and unload more students to add to the bustling crowd.

At 8:45, Dr. Venable begins his rounds, coffee cup in hand.

"Children, let's go to class. First period, everyone, on the double."

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You don't say! Before school, Ramona Shepherd relates the latest happenings to Frances Piechota as Katie Hubble waits for that first bell.



Morning laugh. Before the bell catches them, Branford Edmondson and Sandy Wade enjoy a joke and being together.

Ramblin' man. Ed Owens takes a brief pause before continuing his morning jaunt around the school.



Girlish gossip. Those who arrive early always have time to chat with friends as do Cheryl Martin, Robin Snow and Sherry Puryear, seated in front of the school.



Soul brother. John Murphy stands out from the morning parade of students in his decaled T-shirt.

The morning parade

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And so begins the mad game of "dodge the principal." Out the door, down the sidewalk, in another door and another trip down the hall without being shuffled on to class.

The door opens and Ed Owens comes in — for the umpteenth time. As he spies Dr. Venable in the corridor, he makes a sharp left turn to the back of the stairs and down another hall.

And of course, we have our "Casanovas" — the kind that walk one girl down the hall and another back up the hall. Then there's the born loser trying his best to line up a date for the weekend.

"Hey, what are you doing this weekend? How about a date?"

"Sorry, I'm going to be very busy this weekend."

"Busy doing what?"

"Well, Friday night there's this TV special on Robert Redford I'm just dying to see and Saturday night I . . . I . . . I'm going to a Robert Redford movie with my cousin Hortense."

As 8:55 approaches, most students have already gone to class for fear the bell might ring early or because some teacher told them to; and some go just because they want to; however, some are still

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Quiet time. Mark Mayhew finds that homework can be finished before fellow students come into the classroom.



Sly eye. Curtis Dismuke sneaks a glance at the photographer while Donna Guthrie tries to hurry him on to class.



Test results. A low grade on a biology quiz spurs Pam Tucker to study harder before first period class begins.



Parade watcher. Standing in the lobby, Joan Robertson observes the morning blur as students scurry to class.

Before-class perch. Tim Adams waits out the first bell on the landing next to the science wing.



Crowded stairways. Two-way traffic jams the stairs as the time for first period nears.



The morning parade

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in the halls, including Ed Owens. The "behind schedule" buses are pulling in and some of the riders run so as not to be late and others amble along hoping the bell will ring so they can get a late bus slip and gain an extra five minutes to get to class.

At 8:56 teachers standing in doorways urge students to move on.

"Better hurry. You're going to be late!"

"I'm not telling you two again. Let's move on. You've been standing at that locker gazing at each other since 8:30!"

It's 8:57. Ed Owens stands at the water fountain watching the big clock on the hall — the one that says 12:57; but everyone knows it actually means three minutes 'til nine.

At 8:58, Ed takes a drink from the fountain and begins strolling down the hall toward his class.

As the hand moves upward to 8:59, he steps into the classroom and takes a seat.

9:00. The bell sounds and Ed Owens lazily leans back and opens his book and class begins.

Outside the door, the halls are silent.

SUMMER

It's a time
for fun, work,
concern for Jill



When summer comes it brings with it a little touch of magic which changes about 2000 folks from "students" into "just people." These people are from then until September blessed with the temporary privileges which mean summer: vacations, spare time, soap operas, being with friends.

It really is not hard to get used to sleeping late. After practicing hard at it on the first schoolless morning, people become pros at it. From that day forward, these people are seldom seen outside their rooms before noon. That's when the day really gets started because the best soap operas come on between twelve and one. After an hour of worrying
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July student. David Rose walks to summer school classes at eight in the morning long before some of his vacationing friends even get out of bed.



Cycle man. Lazy days give time for George Woody to keep in shape by riding his bike from South Boston to the school.



Tanned designer. After weeks of frolicking at Myrtle Beach, Lisa Carden discovers that drawing layouts for the yearbook is more work than fun.

SUMMER

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Final check. Making sure everything is in order, Jesse Spencer prepares to leave for the track. He competed in stock car races during the summer.



about Jill and Peg and then Anne and Claudette, it's time to sit back and take a well-deserved rest.

Refreshed from the break, the whole day is then ahead to be used as seen fit. The swimming pool is a very popular choice. By the time the late-risers get there, things are already booming. Some people are swimming and some people are just watching the swimming. Card games and Cokes help fill up the afternoon.

After the pool comes that famous time of day which is faithfully devoted to "cruising around." Those who have jobs come home only to leave again; and pretty soon everybody is riding around looking for everybody else.

Summer work does not necessarily mean a job to everybody. For many county residents, there is one big word to cover summer work. Tobacco. Living on a farm may have its benefits, but working from six until six in a tobacco field is enough to make anybody wonder.

Another big part of summer is vacationing. And that usually means the beach. But then, that was before "Jaws."



Filling it up. Jeffrey Oakes puts a final armload of freshly pulled tobacco on a sled prior to a trip from the fields to the barn.



Summer practices. Comettes and majorettes begin to gather for an afternoon practice of routines they will use in fall and winter parades.



Just cruising around
looking for friends
is summer pastime

First day

establishes routine for new year



Intent gazes. Students gather at the stadium on the first day to hear speeches by the principals.

It was a day of discovery; it was people, excited and alert, greeting old friends and deciding that the strangers didn't look too bad. It was August 29, the first day of school, the earliest that school had ever opened.

To formally open the school year, students and faculty gathered in the stadium to hear Dr. Venable's welcoming speech, to note the do's and don't's for the year and to evaluate their companions and surroundings. Class rivalry was born as students competed for enthusiasm and volume in their cheers. The unquestionable senior victory foretold their dominance during the coming year.

The first days of school were

spent for the most part in homeroom, paying fees, filling out endless forms and sweltering in the heat. Soon, however, the students reported to their classes to meet teachers and receive books. Of course, it took a while for bewildered sophomores to find their way around without being caught by the tardy bell.

The excitement of the first day of school gradually subsided into mediocrity. As newness faded away to be replaced by familiarity and even boredom, the freedom of summer was thought of with yearning. The end of the first week brought homework, club meetings, sports events and new friendships. The routine for the remaining thirty-five weeks of school was established.



Seating chart blues. Students stand and wait to sit down while study hall teacher, Mrs. Joyce Thompson, assigns seats.

Keep it. Kathy Gilliam reluctantly accepts from Mr. Gary Waynick her Latin textbook on the first day of class.





Hot and sticky. Fans were brought in to cool off students who suffered from the heat during the first weeks of school.



Money hassle. Homeroom teacher Mr. Jerry Marsella fills out a receipt for Teresa Anderson, who has just paid school fees.

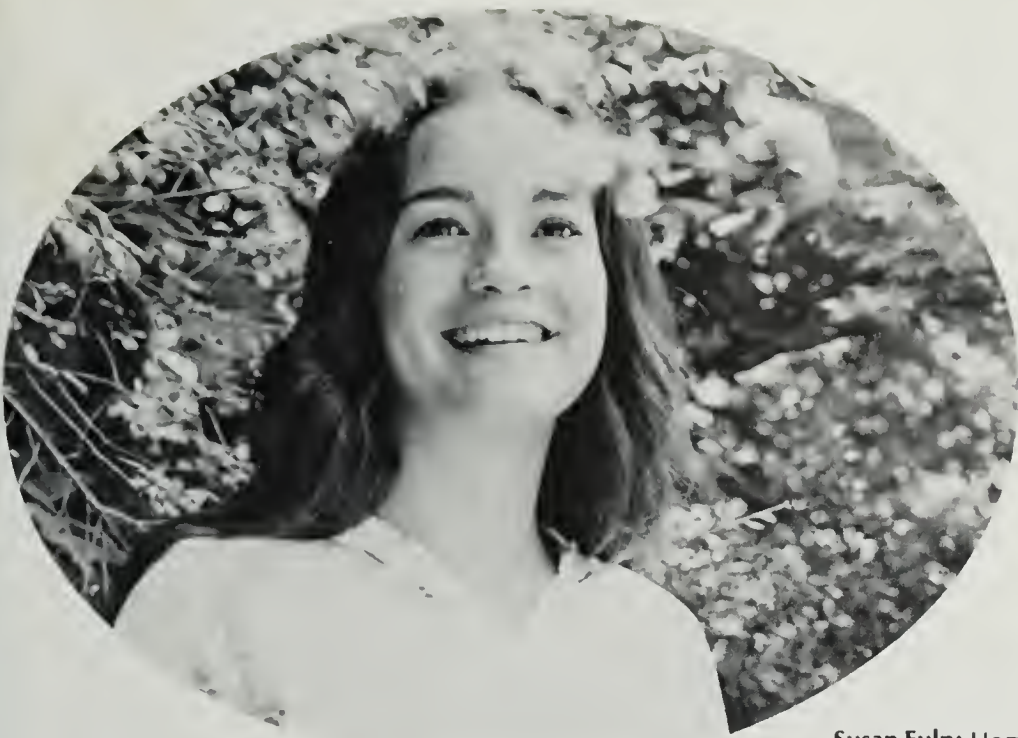


Royal beauties. The Homecoming parade ends with the Queen and her court including sophomores Darla Carrington and Bonita Oakley, juniors Susan Puryear and Geraldine Lovelace and seniors Cynthia Logan, Queen Susan Eulp and Victoria Black.



Knee tackle. As Wayne Claiborne runs for a few extra yards, he is pulled to the ground by a Cave Spring Knight in the Homecoming game won by the Comets, 21-14.

Latin lovers. Members of the Latin Club gather behind the stadium for hours of fun and maybe a little work on their float.



Susan Fulp: Homecoming Queen 1974

Napkin stuffers prepare
for the big parade as

HOMECOMING '74

arrives with Susan Fulp
to reign over the activities

Homecoming '74 actually began on Monday when we chose the Homecoming court and started building the floats. A feeling of anxiety was in the air and everybody couldn't wait until Friday.

Every night at 7 o'clock I would bundle up and ride over to the stadium. There was never any question as to whether I would go because I was the chief napkin stuffer (alias club president). We were always running out of napkins and those we put in on Tuesday were so dirty by Friday that they had to be replaced.

Being a cheerleader, too, I was very busy during the week. As a tribute to the varsity players, I drew over 50 paper footballs which I put on each of the player's lockers. I also made a huge cloth banner on which the theme of Homecoming was placed. It read "Comets Almighty Workin' All Knighty," and we hung it on the press box.

Finally Friday came and all of us who had worked on the floats during the week got out of class. Final touches were put on the floats and judging took place before the annual parade began.

Susan Fulp was crowned as the 1974 Homecoming Queen at halftime and the rest of her court was recognized. The lights went out as the band serenaded the queen and the majorettes performed the traditional fire baton routine.

The game was really close and I cheered with all my strength for Comet victory. They did pull through in the last minutes to win the game, 21-14.

Afterwards most everyone went to the annual Homecoming dance. I was so tired from cheering I could hardly dance but it was really fun.

When my head hit the pillow that night, I was exhausted from a week of work, but memories of Homecoming 1974 will always remain with me.



Keep on truckin'. Although the varsity and JV cheerleaders didn't build a float for the Homecoming parade, they yelled to lift the spirit of players and parade watchers.

Talent show, rodeo, concerts relieve monotony

Class Day and May Day assemblies
postponed due to rain



"First Time Ever I Saw Your Face." Agnes Marable sings the popular Roberta Flack hit during her portion of the talent show.

Startled audience. Students watch in awe as Buffalo Bill cracks his whip as hard and as loudly as possible at the Rodeo Assembly.





Second place winner. Mary Ragland does her interpretation of a poem by Paul Lawrence to win \$15 in "The 1975 Talarama Show."

Serious acting. Mike Perkins and Tony Hill concentrate on their roles in "The Lottery," one of two plays presented during the year.



What do donkeys, "Rock n' Roll," a navy band and harmonica players all have in common? They were some of the year's assemblies.

Students attended different types of assemblies, but they were all alike in some ways: getting out of class, being jostled in the main lobby, cramming into the gym, searching for friends, sitting in crowded bleachers, watching the clock and hoping the program would last at least until the end of the period.

Few assemblies were cancelled due to bad weather, as was the case in previous years. Several assemblies such as May Day and Class Day

were postponed until the next day because of rain.

Two plays were added to the list of assemblies. "Rock 'n' Roll" and "The Lottery" were the first plays presented by the Drama Department in four years. Mrs. Nancy Barden and her drama students put much time and effort in both plays.

"Rock n' Roll" was performed at two different times: for the student body and for the public. Both performances received standing ovations.

For music lovers, different musically oriented programs were presented. A rock concert,

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Assemblies

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the Christmas and Spring Concerts by the band, a group called the Harmonica Rascals (featuring a mischievous midget) and a band from the navy were the main music assemblies featured during the year.

Sports programs also dotted the assembly calendar. A junior varsity football game and a wrestling match were shown during the school hours. Several pep rallies were given to encourage support for the night football and basketball games. Of course, the powderpuff football game and the donkey basketball game were presented to provide a few laughs.

At the beginning of the year, the candidates for each class office gave their speeches in an assembly only for their particular class. SCA elections for the next year were held in the spring of the year during three separate assemblies.

The presentation of awards served as the purpose for two assemblies. On Class Day, outstanding students in the senior class received scholarships and other local and national awards. Some seniors also received special awards chosen by the other members of their class, such as "Most Intelligent," "Biggest Mouth," and others. In April, seniors and juniors attended the National Honor Society Induction Assembly where deserving juniors became members of the honor group.

Assemblies helped to break the monotony of the usual day at school, and they also put a little variety into the year.

Latest in fashions. Sandra Martin, Yolanda Gomes and others model some of the newest styles of clothing during their segment of the talent show.



Rock on. "The Turning Points" transform the gym into a rock and soul music festival during a concert in the fall.



All tied up. Johnny Miller finds himself bullwhipped into being a volunteer for the Western Rodeo Assembly.

Black History Week. Charlie Davis preaches while Sharon Miller pretends to be God. Others wait to participate in the Black History Assembly.



Top award. Leonard Faulkner receives the T.C. Watkins Outstanding Athletes Award from Dr. L. M. Venable at the Class Day Assembly.



Sweet music. The Harmonica Rascals Assembly was one of the year's most popular, with both music and some laughs.



There's a school dance tonight.

Throughout the year, there were four nights when it didn't take students an hour to decide where to go on a date. These nights saw the school parking lot full, teachers ready to chaperone around the door, busy coat-check attendants and a dance floor full of moving bodies.

One could always see students in chairs lined along the wall, for the dancing area soon became hot, or out in the lobby taking a breather. And before the night was over, one always saw one or two teachers get out and kick up their heels.

The first dance of the year was Homecoming night. After winning the football game, students came eagerly in the door to listen to the Arthur Boots Band. Two dollars a couple and \$1.50 a person didn't seem bad for a night.



Cuttin' a rug. Ben Johnson and Becky Phillips dance to the music of the Arthur Boots Band at the Homecoming dance.

Lucky winner. DJ Walt Howard gives away a free album to Raymond Roberts in a drawing at the Topsy-Turvy Dance.



Good times. Enjoying a spirited dance after the Homecoming game are Peggy Garland and Mark Jackson.

Let's go.

Soon after Homecoming, the SCA sponsored the Snowball Dance, for which many girls had their Christmas dress presented to them a little early. The Vista Tones from Altavista provided the music.

For a week before the Topsy Turvy dance, few boys lingered in the halls and they seemed to be the first ones in the class. Those seen walking slowly down the hall usually had a sign on their backs, often creative artwork, but usually just big letters, spelling "TAGGED." Records were played at this dance by a disc jockey.

As the year came to an end, the newly elected 1975-76 cheerleaders gave an End-of-School Dance to help their friends and to give everyone a last chance to get together.

Flood watching. Every day people would go to Riverdale to see how high the flood waters had risen. Three March weekends in a row, rains caused flooding.



Icy stillness. An unblemished blanket of snow and ice covers the front lawn in February.



Pumps closed. High waters of the Dan River closed gas stations and most everything else in Riverdale during the March floods.



Spring leisure. Beautiful May weather brings students to the front lawn at lunchtime.

'It's raining! We



Flooded engine. One automobile didn't make it to safety before high waters caught up with it.

Blocked roads. Low-lying streets were the first ones covered when heavy March rains caused flooding.

Rain figured to be the prime factor in the school year weather. Record flooding of county roads and the intersection of Highways 501 and 58 caused the closing of school for three days during March.

The flood grew from a temporary diversion to an event, inviting such situations and consequences as: taking family, relatives and neighbors to Riverdale for a day of watching the flood waters recede . . . praying for rain . . . scouting the damage and wondering if it's enough to postpone classes for one more day . . . praying for rain . . . catching up on soap operas and a chance to sleep late . . . forsaking your regular radio station and tuning to the local one, anticipating the "no school tomorrow" bulletin . . . praying for rain . . . having something to talk about at lunch weeks afterwards.

Snow was noticeably absent and an almost no show. It did make a few appearances resulting in an obvious preoccupation with looking out the windows and the forgetting of texts and teachers. Before the sled could be brought out of storage, however, the mainstay of the year, rain, turned the snow to slush.

Unexpected weather. Senior Keith Gilliam walks to the main building as the first snow of the year catches everyone by surprise.



may not have school tomorrow!'



Love song. Singing of his infatuation for Betsy Lou, Arthur Murray pleads his case to the attentive audience.

In person! Lead-singer Howard Suit and his back-ups Lacy Dixon, Timmy Knowlson and Kelvin Coleman provide live music for the kids at Pop's.

Look at that! Donna Talbott, Regina Morton and Sandy Talbot study the album cover of one of their favorite rock groups.



NOSTALGIA

**'Rock 'n' Roll' flashes back to another era:
one of teeny-boppers, malt shops and cycle gangs.**

"Okay, everyone line up around the piano and get ready to sing 'Hello Dolly'."

Those words began the try-outs for "Rock 'n' Roll", the first musical comedy produced here in years. One by one, the aspiring performers approached the piano and began to sing, some nervously, some confidently, until all had taken a turn. Then it was time for everyone to read the script aloud. Try-outs lasted for two long, nerve-wrecking days.

Finally, the first big day arrived. A list of the cast was posted on Mrs. Barden's door. For some, this was

a day of great disappointment; for the people who made the list, it was a day of happiness.

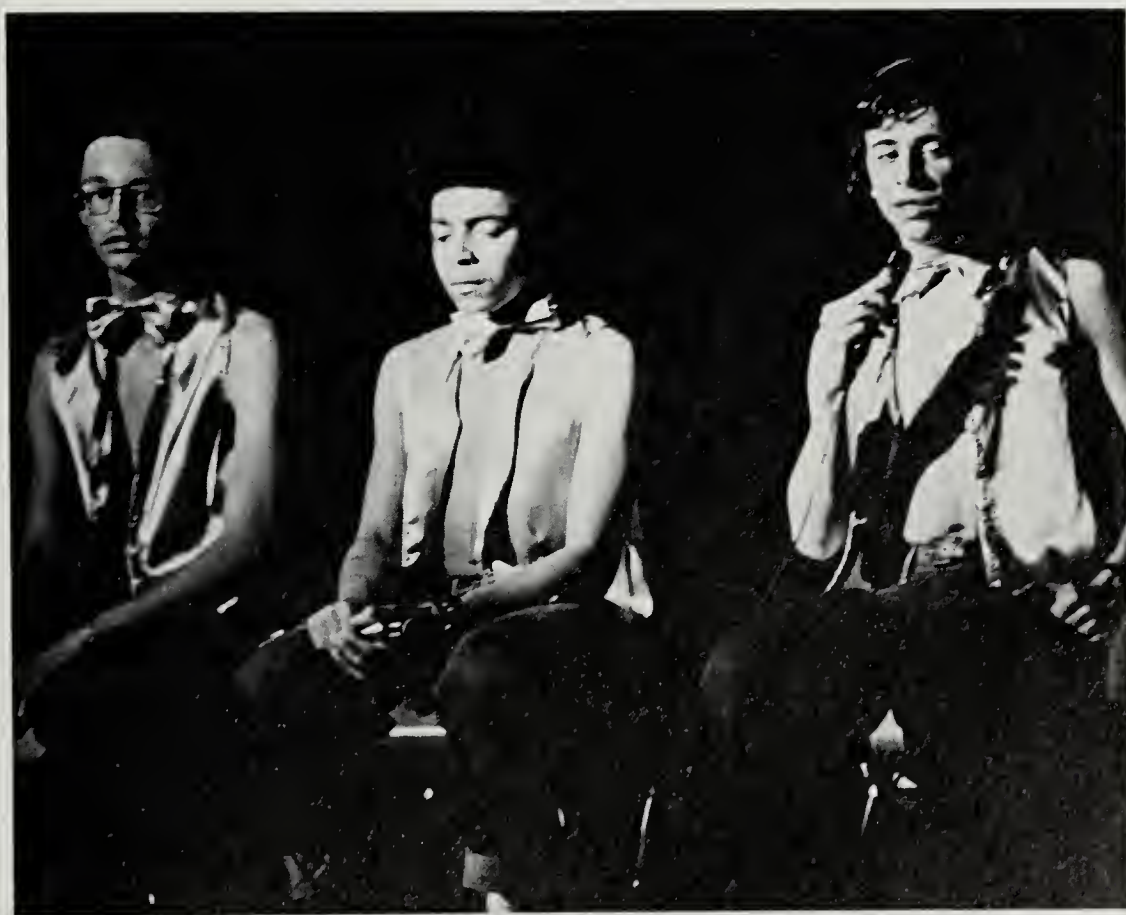
The next week signalled the beginning of that two-word phrase, "play practice." Every question concerning free time asked of the performers for the next six weeks was answered, "play practice." For three nights a week, the characters had to learn lines, remember movements, conquer diction problems, emphasize words and sometimes even do homework. On selected days after school, the performers who were to sing had to practice their vocals in the band room with

Mr. Wall.

In the middle of the six weeks of practice, the cast was forced to abandon the gymnasium for two weeks because of prom decorations and talent show practice. For these two weeks, they improvised and practiced in the band room.

Finally, the last week of practice arrived. Dress rehearsals, complete with make-up, lights and band, were held. The cast now had to quickly learn to change clothes between scenes. Along with this, they also were exposed to an audience for the first time.

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Concerned trio. Stanley Bliss and Charles Miller listen to Authur Murray croon of his love for the girl of his dreams.



Soloist. Stanley Bliss sings "Knock the Jock" to the other actors and actresses in the scene.



Success party. After the night performances, the entire crew of "Rock 'n' Roll" have a pizza party to celebrate their triumph.

Fight song. The boys sing the Notre Dame theme song to show their team spirit for an important football game in the play.



Making-up. Frances Farris and Tina Haire apply stage make-up and oil to Mr. Jerry Marsella, a member of the motorcycle gang.





NOSTALGIA

continued

On Thursday morning, after all the pictures and stories in both school and local papers, the cast prepared to present the play before the student body. Backstage, everyone went over lines as the make-up was being smeared on their faces. Songs were sung "just one last time" while Vitalis Extra Dry was poured liberally into the hair of the male characters. Finally, it was time for students to start arriving in the gymnasium. The band began playing the musical introduction to the play. A thousand "break a leg's" were muttered between frightened members of the cast.

Despite a few missed lines, the play went smoothly and received a standing ovation from its well-behaved student audience. For the rest of the day, the cast uttered countless gracious "thank you's" to everyone who spoke to them. As one student said, "The people in the play are so excited they'd say thank you if you told them you broke your arm."

The next night, the cast again presented the play, this time to a less demanding adult audience. Once again, the production received a standing ovation. The proceeds from both performances were divided between the Drama Department and the Band Department.

Finally, though, the whole thing was over and it was time for the actors and actresses to put their performances and their dreams behind them and go back to just being people.

Happy days. Arthur Murray and Steve Farmer vie for the attention of Cathy Collins as they act out their roles at the night performance.



JUNIOR SENIOR PROM

As the special night wore on, cummerbunds became tighter, new hairdos became stringier and dresses seemed to wilt

After long hours of hanging large tissue balls and colorful streamers, tired but proud juniors rushed home, April 25, to don their prom night finery. Following "A Midnight in Hawaii" theme, hula girls in grass skirts made ready to give out leis at the door and refreshments in the cafeteria. The grass hut stood ready to lend a Hawaiian atmosphere.

Eager and not-so-eager dancers soon piled in at 8 o'clock with "Oh, I love your dress!" heard often throughout the lobby. Juniors soon began to show their guests where, exactly, they ran out of tape and staples, two essentials for a

Junior-Senior Prom. Students, guests and teachers all graced the floor at least once, moving to the music of "Trussel," a six member band.

Soon, around the corner, couples made ready for pictures in front of a floral background framed with palm trees. After dancing in the hot gymnasium, girls tried to smooth once elegant hairdos and boys adjusted newly rented tuxedos.

As the night wore on, tired juniors were seen slipping quietly to the nearest bench as seniors and sophomores soon followed. Cummerbunds became tighter, hair became stringier and new dresses seemed

quite wilted. The band breaks seemed longer and many dancers soon made their way toward the coat check to receive wraps.

The shiny aluminum foil stars soon slipped out one by one, clutched in hot hands soon to be pinned to bulletin boards throughout the county. Sophomores sometimes took more than their share of the decorations, thinking of saving themselves trouble when they came back in the morning to clean up. Those prom-goers reluctant to go home continued to make the night a little more memorable and long enough to lose more hair ribbons, cuff links and corsages.



Party punch. Hogan Humphreys and Francis Piechota serve punch to thirsty Joyce Burnette and Bobby Hudson.



Soulful onlookers. While some concentrate on dancing, others just stand and watch "Trussel" fill the gym with rock and soul.





Delighted dancers. Bumping to the music of "Trustle," Harry Morris and Juliet Jennings fall into the rockin' motion of the gym.



Take five. Couples fill lobby tables to talk about the prom and to discuss the after-prom parties.



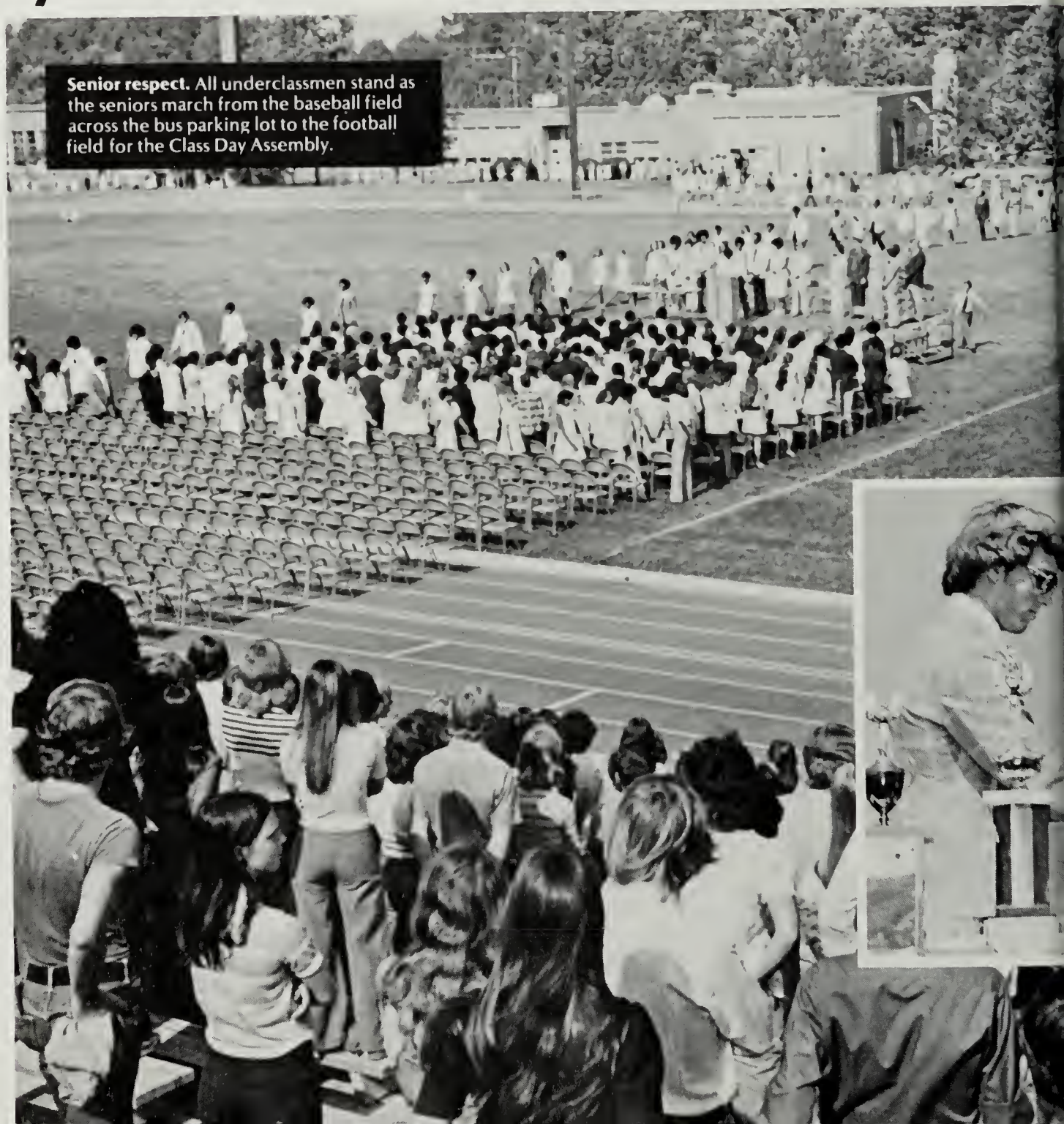
Aloha! Mr. Leander Zook greets prom-goers Kathy DeJarnette and Darryl Jacobs as they enter their magic "Midnight in Hawaii."

Beneath the stars. A sky of foil stars overlooks happy couples. The gym was transformed into a majestic dance floor for the prom.

Tears and awards and goodbyes



Good citizen. Senior Sharon Graves receives the Veterans of Foreign Wars Award from Mrs. Louise Slayton, chairman of the organization's auxiliary.



Senior respect. All underclassmen stand as the seniors march from the baseball field across the bus parking lot to the football field for the Class Day Assembly.



Last day. Despite the hot, glaring sun beating down on them Barry Brandon, Mary Brandon, Delois Brandon, John

Brandon, Deborah Bradley, Barbara Britton, Roxie Brooks are still looking cool and neat during Class Day in the stadium.



Tops. David Smith receives the Tuck Dillard Memorial Award from Mr. Richard Plaster.



Top award. Stan Yeatts receives from Dr. Venable the Principal's Award for the most outstanding graduate of 1975.

Juniors and sophomores stood restlessly as the long line of 550 solemn seniors, with heads held high and shoulders erect, marched into the stadium for Class Day. There were a few tears but everyone knew the real "fountain" wouldn't start until that night at graduation!

It was, as a matter of fact, another "downpour" that was the reason for their being there that Monday morning anyway. Rain had postponed the program that had been scheduled for the previous Friday.

When the seniors were seated and

the band stopped playing, the annual awards were presented. First and most important was the Principal's Award, given to Stan Yeatts for his excellence in scholarship, citizenship and sportsmanship.

Wanda Sue Forlines and Charles W. Davis were given the American Legion Citizenship Award for courage, honor, leadership and patriotism.

The T.C. Watkins Award, chosen by the coaches, was presented to the most outstanding athlete, Leonard Faulkner while Lee Owen and Betty Jeff Felton won the Danforth Award for good citizenship.



Sad times. A serious topic concerns Eddie Barksdale and Mercedes DeShazo after graduation ceremonies.

After 12 years of anticipation, my graduation day was finally here. Since I was in the third row from the back, it would be a while before I would walk to the front for my diploma so I anxiously watched those going before me.

I had spent 12 of my 17 years in school and soon I would be through. Of course, I still had college before me but I knew nothing would ever be the same again. My emotions were intermingled and it was hard to tell which were predominant.

I felt joy since a task would soon be completed but also sorrow because soon I would be leaving all the people who had helped me to become me. I felt confident but also a little afraid as I looked toward the future. I felt pride for all

that I had accomplished but I also felt guilt for all that I had left undone. I had made a lot of friends but there were still many people to get to know.

As I watched those around me, I saw more than 500 people who were in the same position as I. Some had already gotten their diploma covers and were having a hard time controlling their joy. Others were waiting patiently while others were squirming and anxiously awaiting their turns. There were a few tears but mostly many smiles. I wondered how many of them felt the way I did. So many of these people were my friends and soon their lives would be different and we would be lost from each other but never forgotten. I wasn't as excited about the new

life before me now.

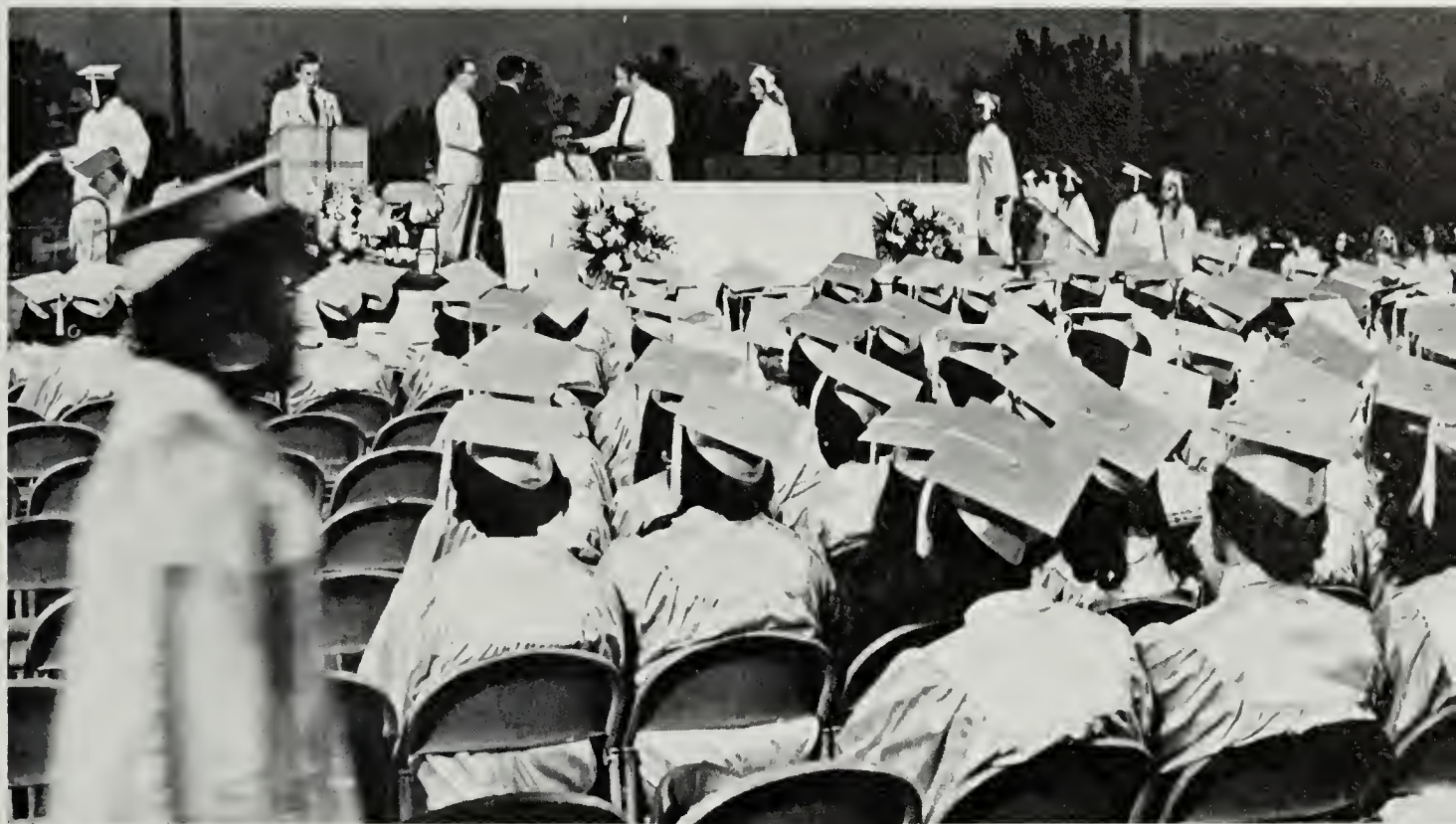
Suddenly, my row was rising and we walked toward the front. The people in front of me walked across the stage and I was next. Soon it would be all over. I heard my name called and I walked across the stage. My diploma cover was in my hand and I descended the stairs. My high school years were complete.

Then we were marching out. Outside there were a few hugs and sad goodbyes to those who had meant so much to me. As I headed to the car, I realized life at HCSH was now over and as I looked at the school for the last time as a student, I knew I could look back and say it had been a great experience. But now a new life was just beginning and I was ready for it.

'Life here is now over.'



Baccalaureate. Seniors listen to The Reverend Mr. Larry Frakes deliver the graduation sermon.

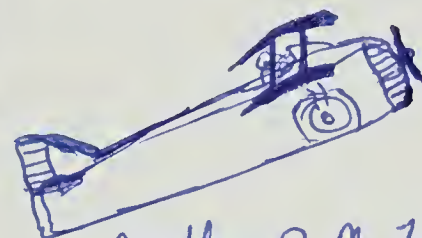


Diplomas at dusk. Issuing diplomas to 550 students is a process that begins on an early summer eveing but stretches into the night.



First graduate. Brenda Adams, the alphabetical first in the class, receives her diploma from Mr. Udy C. Wood, school superintendent. Mr. Harry Wilson, assistant principal, helps.

Happy times. No tears for Garnett Hall. He's glad to be a graduate and he shows it with a hug for one of his classmates.



Another of My famous
Airplane
Good Luck
M. Scott

famous quote
'I shall not return to H.C.S.H.S.'

Horsepower

Specifications

- 350 pounds of excess fat to be melted away during August football camp.
- 300 additional pounds for the wrestling team.
- 250 steaks for the varsity football team.
- 200 hamburgers for girls' basketball.
- 150 wads of tobacco for Coach Hyatt.
- 50 trophies for the varsity basketball and baseball teams.
- 10 pretty girls to cheer players to victory.
- 1 strong constitution to withstand teachers' angry looks when you leave class early for away games.
- 0 losses for all the teams.





Winning spirit. Comet players and coaches, jumping for the sky, dash to mob the pitcher after upsetting GW, 7-4, in the game that put them in the district baseball finals.

Tournament victory. Smiles are as sparkling as the trophy when a regional championship is won. Harry Morris, Ed Owens and Kevin Watson are the happy players; Mr. Wayne Lloyd is the proud coach.

By Bill McLaughlin

The Blues are battling hard for the state basketball championship. Only two minutes are left in the game, and Thomas Jefferson of Richmond is leading by two points. During a time-out, the Comets regroup and decide on a strategy. As they walk onto the floor, the huge crowd screams loudly.

This was probably the most pressure felt by any Halifax County team in a pressure-filled year, but all teams felt it at one time or another. Basketball just seemed to be in the pressure cooker more often than others. They survived several close regular season games. They also had to compete under the burden of a sixteen game winning streak.

However, this pressure was nothing

compared to what they would face later. They had two regional tournament games decided by a total of six points and then advanced to the state.

Halifax's baseball squad also had to compete under pressure in regional and state competition. The Comets were twice trailing by large margins ; however, in both games they came back to win in extra innings.

When the Blues reached the state semifinals, the pressure seemed to affect them. Several routine ground balls were bobbed, fly balls were misplayed and, as a result, the Comets were badly beaten.

Pressure affects athletes in several different ways. "You have butterflies before the game, but you lose all
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Easy layup. Dropping in two, James Smith outmaneuvers a Northside player before a crowd of home fans.



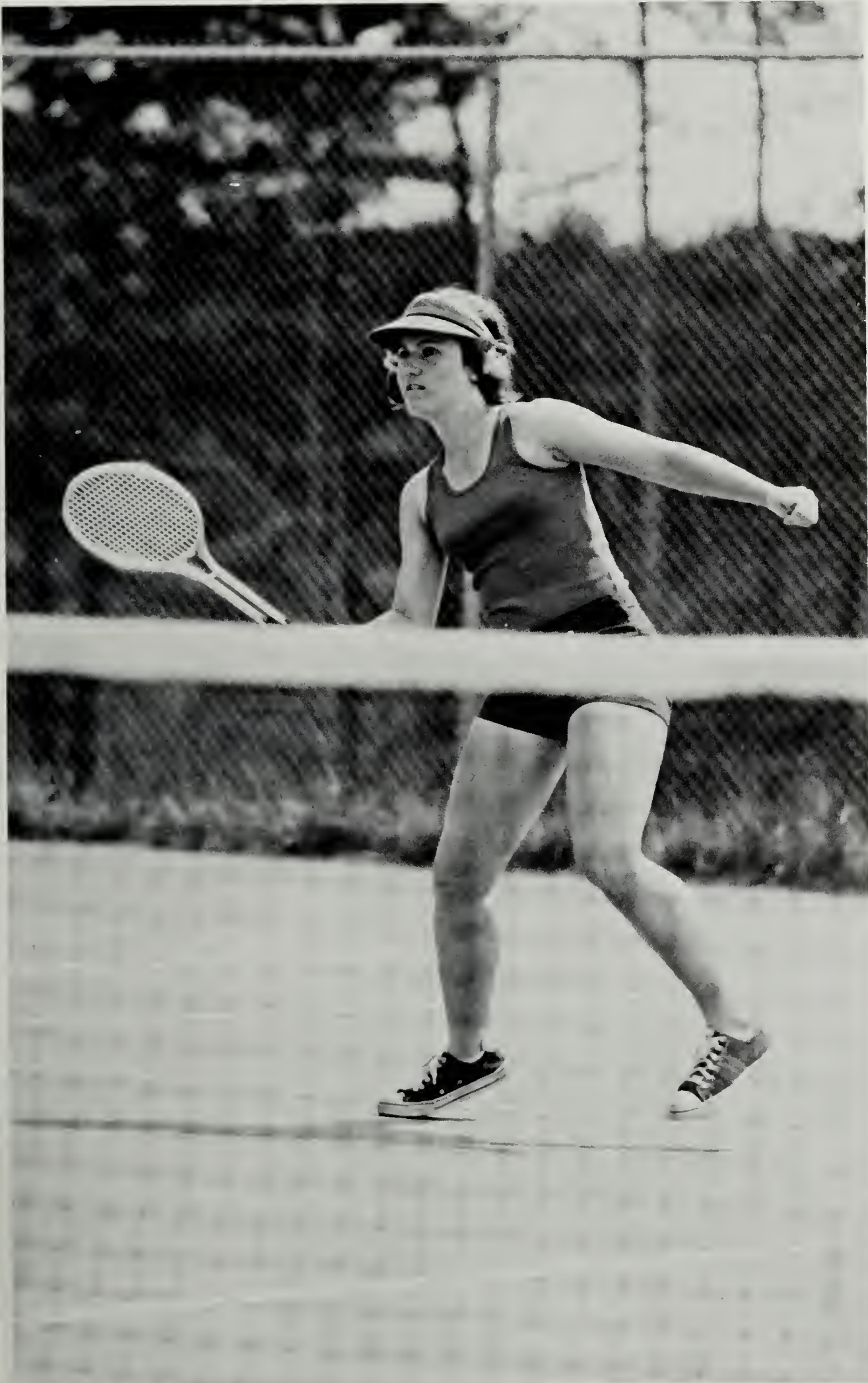
Mighty heave. In a home track meet against Glass, Courtney Humphrey strains before flinging the shot put in the air.

Coming through. Cecil Talley stops a Northside opponent to make way for a Comet runner.

Happy leap. Comet right fielder Willie Petty drives across the plate to score the winning run against GW in the bottom of the last inning.



In the pressure cooker



Tennis tension. Sherry Nunn gets set to return the ball and hopefully win her match. Sherry was the team's top doubles player.

In the pressure cooker

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Bare miss. Stanley Davis, at first base, jumps after a line drive but misses it in the semifinal state playoff game against George C. Marshall. The Comets lost, 15-2.

your tension on the first hit," states Chuck Hatcher, a member of the football and tennis teams. "Before the tipoff, you're nervous, but once you touch the ball, you lose your nervousness," adds Ed Owens, sixth man on the basketball team. Eddie Barksdale, fullback for the football squad and member of the track team, says the pressure before the game makes him "go to the bathroom often."

Eddie believes that pressure makes him play better because "you're afraid of making a mistake." Kenneth Guill, a member of the tennis team, feels pressure helps him play better. "When you play a team like E.C. Glass, you really hustle and try not to get embarrassed," he says.

"The pressure at the state really

hurt me," says Phil Rinker, the best golfer for the Comets. He was the only golfer from Halifax to go to the state tournament where he eventually finished thirteenth. After the first day of competition, however, he was in second place. "The pressure really got to me in the state tournament. I was shaky for the first two or three holes, but I settled down after that," Phil says.

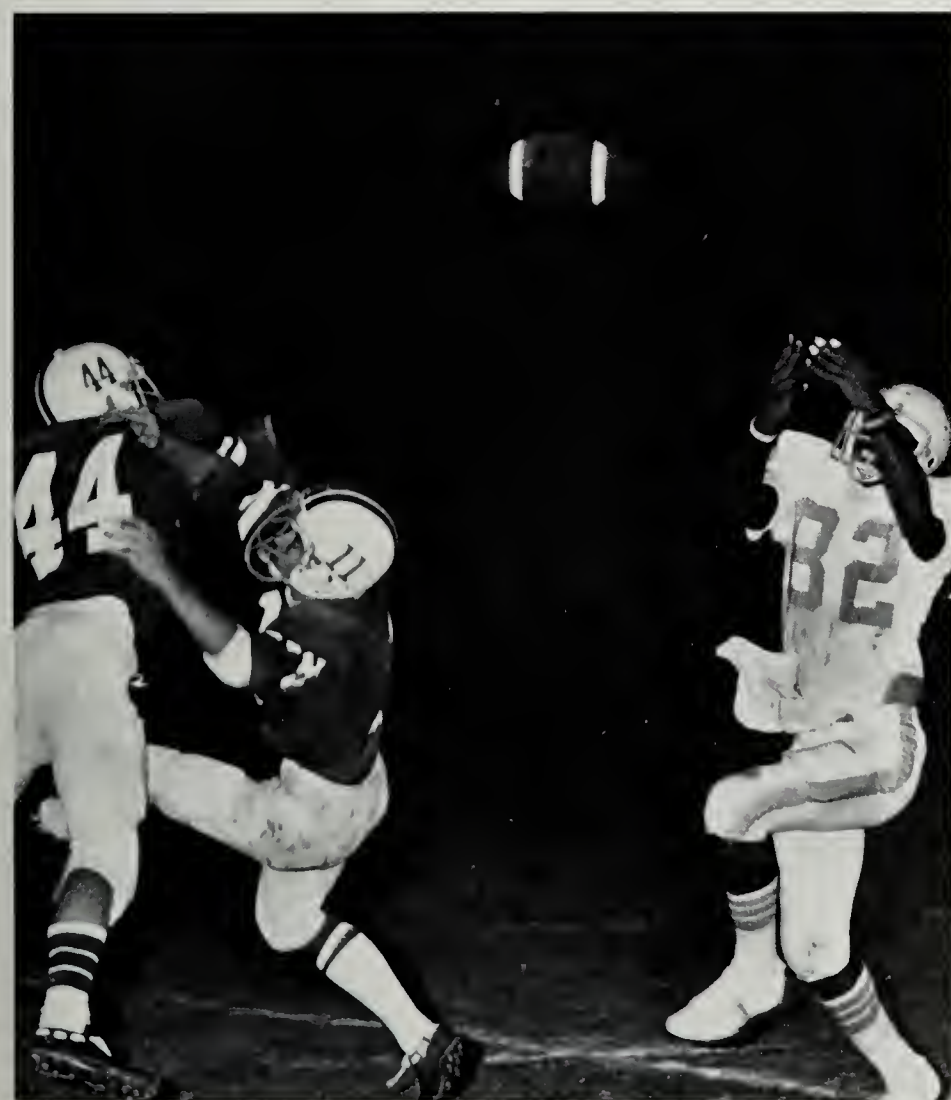
Several members of the basketball team felt that pressure did not affect them that much since they had played in the state and regional tournaments last year.

Harry Morris did not get too nervous before games because he had played in big games before and been to the state two years. "I was real nervous my first

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Wrestling opener. A GW opponent pins Steve Palmer in the first wrestling match ever for HCSH.



Discus power. Mary Boyd flings the discus in a home tri-meet with E.C. Glass and GW. The girls won all their home meets.

Teamwork? That's what two Roxboro defenders thought after they got up from misguided coverage as Gerald Lovelace (82) scampers away with the pass.

year at the state playing against Moses Malone," Harry says.

Larry Scott agrees that he felt less pressure at the state tournament this year than last year. "I was nervous but it helped having been there before," he says.

David Watson would rather play in a big game, such as a state tournament contest, than a less important contest. "The more people there the better I feel. I never get nervous before a game, just excited and kind of wild," he states.

Everette Nichols, a member of the football and baseball teams, feels pressure makes him "uptight" before a game. "I've gotten to where I'm used to pressure now. I try to fight it off by concentrating on playing the game," he says.

"I'm nervous and I have butterflies before the games. If it's a big game, I get up more," states Frank Godbold, a guard on the Comet basketball squad. He tries to counteract the pressure by "thinking about what I'm supposed to do. I really don't worry where we're playing or the importance of the game," he says.

Marvin Fallen, a member of the football, basketball and track teams, is "nervous before the game. But once it gets started, I'm not nervous anymore," he adds. Marvin tries to overcome pressure by getting "fired up."

Coaches are probably affected by pressure more than their players. Coach Elvin Dyer feels some nervousness before a game, but tries to fight it off. "Before a game, I try to get relaxed and think about the scouting report and last minute adjustments. I try to overcome the pressure by getting my mind off the competition and geared to strategy," he says.

Head basketball coach Wayne Lloyd was also under pressure. He was given the difficult task of following two state tournament teams when Coach Don Thompson resigned to become basketball mentor at Hampden-Sydney.

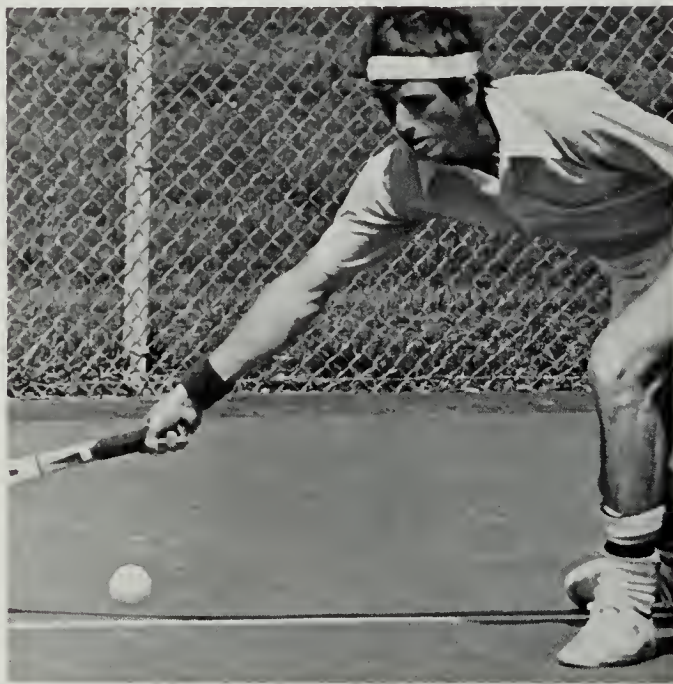
"As they say, it's a hard act to follow when a team goes to the state two years in a row," Coach Lloyd said. "I felt there was a lot of pressure to follow that," he added. "I'm glad we made it to the state finals. Maybe the pressure helped."

Head football coach Coleman Starnes is hyperactive before a game but once the contest begins, he calms down. Coach Starnes begins getting nervous on the Thursday practice before a game and is jumpy up to game time.

He feels the pressure encountered in athletics will help athletes in later life. "The pressure is definitely helpful because there is pressure in anything you do. If a young man doesn't fold under pressure in athletics, he won't fold under the pressure in life," he says. "There's pressure in anything you do in life — being a teacher or a businessman or whatever. If you don't give up on the five-yard line, you won't give up in life."



Mine! Harry Morris grabs the ball while covered by two Albemarle players in the state semifinals. The Comets won.



Down and in. Marshall Rowland reaches low to return a hard hit volley to his forehand in a home match against Central Senior High.

In the pressure cooker

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Top throw. Cecil Talley twirls as he puts the shot in a winning effort against E.C. Glass in a home meet.

The oldest trick in the book

Varsity squad: (Front) Steve Gordon, Mark Sompayrac, Chuck Hatcher, Jesse Bales, Steve Farmer, George Chappell, **(second)** Everette Nichols, Raymond Roberts, Ricky Gregory, Chris Wilmouth, David Fallen, David Rose, Averell Bowman. **(third)** Cecil Hogue, Marshall Slayton, Ronnie Snow, George Woody, Eddie Bardsdale, Wayne Claiborne, Marvin Fallen, James Stanfield, **(fourth)** Jay Camp, David Smith, John Snead, James Brame, Craig Humphrey, Andy Hall, Gerald Lovelace, Earl Wilkins, Kent Poindexter, **(fifth)** John Brandon, Clinton Davis, Leonard Faulkner, Rex Puryear, Jeff Wallace, Cecil Talley, Stan Carden, Roy Watson, Eddie Brown, Coach Perry, Coach Crittenden, Head Coach Starnes, Coach Ramsey.



Behind the line. David Rose dives for a Person Co. halfback during the Comet eighth consecutive victory over the Rockets.

Varsity Football 1974

Record: 7-3

	HCSH	Opp.
Person Co.	18	3
E.C. Glass	14	17
William Fleming	19	26
Patrick Henry	7	6
John F. Kennedy	22	0
Pulaski	24	18
GW	12	35
Cave Spring	21	14
Franklin Co.	26	14
Northside	27	6

Planning ahead. Coaches Starnes and Crittenden select strategy as Comet end Jay Camp listens during a time out.



"How do you like your eggs done? Twice-over, sunny-side up . . .?"

"I'd like 'em quick, sir."

"Take these eggs and shut up."

The preceding was one of the more polite conversations at our annual football camp at Fort Pickett. For the first few days it seemed as if nobody could get along. Coaches and players appeared to be in bad moods and everybody got on everybody else's nerves.

After a few days of this, Coach Starnes apparently felt that something had to be done to pull us out of the doldrums. He used the oldest trick in the book: the pep talk. He told us of our potential, (which they always do), but as I looked around I realized he wasn't making it up. I glanced about the room and I saw his proof: Wayne Claiborne, who was to set rushing records that

year, Earl Wilkins, Jeff Wallace and Clinton Davis who were to receive recognition from sportswriters statewide, and Cecil Talley, who was to play in the high school All-Star game. Another thing I realized was that I wasn't the only one looking around the room.

From that day on we knew that we had what it takes to be a winning unit. Working as a unit we took the opener against Roxboro. We returned the next week for one of the biggest games of the year, a clash with E.C. Glass. Ironically working as a unit we lost to Glass and the next week we lost to William Fleming.

Football has always been one of my greater loves but two disheartening losses began to make me wonder if all that practice, sweat, cramps and long hours of work were worth the

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Chargin' Claiborne. Halfback Wayne Claiborne charges between three GW defenders during the Blues 35-12 loss to the Eagles.



Game saver. A Patrick Henry ball carrier tries to score a conversion, but Comet end Jay Camp (80) stops him short to preserve a 7-6 Comet victory.



Halftime review. Coaches Coleman Starnes and Ron Ramsey run down plays for both offense and defense during halftime of the Cave Spring game.



Diving attempt. Cecil Talley (71) and Pee Wee Bales (23) go for a GW running back in the game played on the Eagle's field. The Comets lost, 12-35.



Iron curtain. James Brame (83) and Pee Wee Bales (23) stop a Patrick Henry runner short of a touchdown as Jay Camp (85) looks on. P.H. scored on the next play.

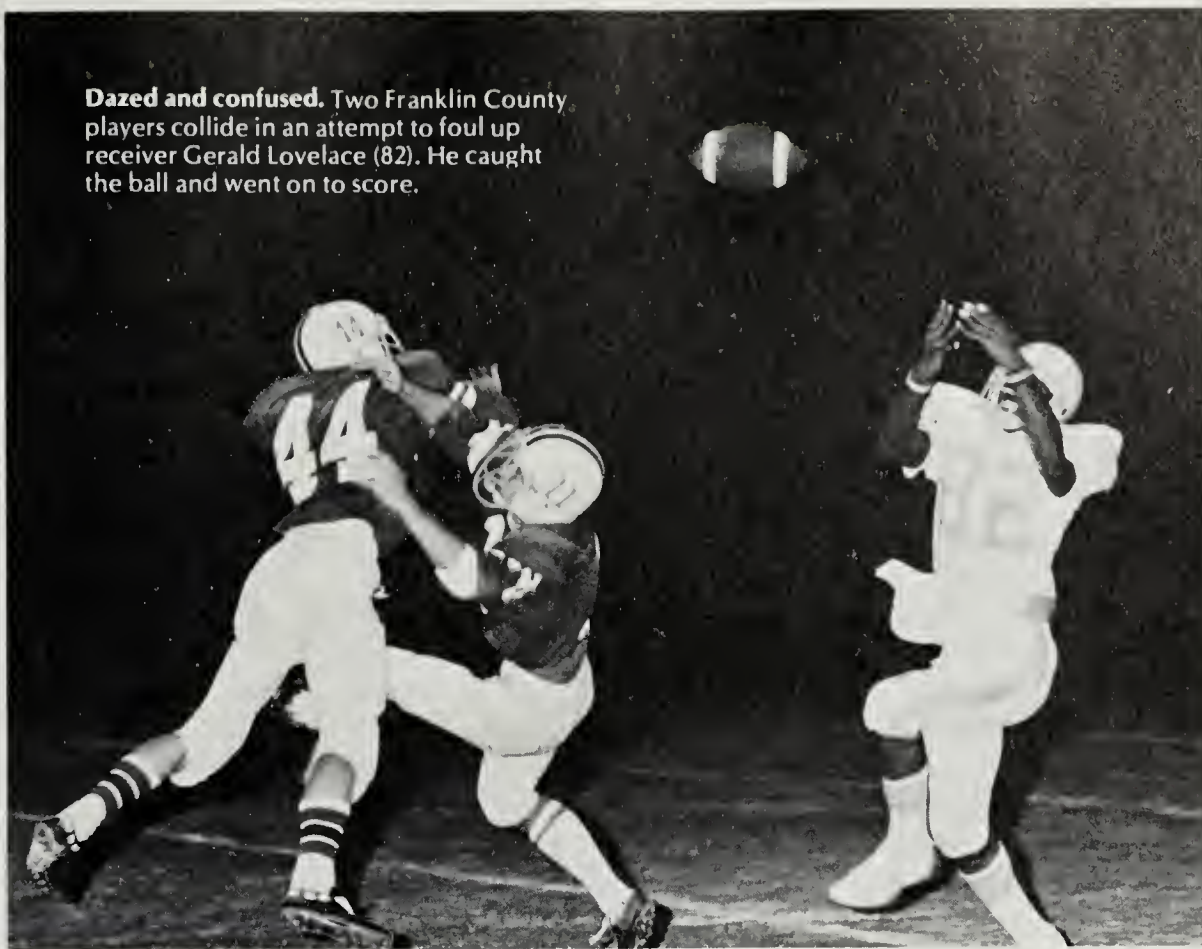
Varsity football

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trouble. I decided to stick with it for another week. As Virginia's Number 1 team rolled into the stadium, I felt like this was a last chance for us; a loss against P.H. surely would be an insurmountable blow to our hopes of even placing in the Western District.

We won the game 7-6 by way of a last second goal line stand. After the game, havoc broke loose in the locker room. We had to find some way to express our bliss and we did. After throwing all the chairs around and lifting the coaches on to our shoulders, we began to sing and shout "We're No. 1." According to the Western District standing, we weren't No. 1, but in our hearts and minds we were the best; and that's the way it would stay.

Dazed and confused. Two Franklin County players collide in an attempt to foul up receiver Gerald Lovelace (82). He caught the ball and went on to score.



Joyful embrace. Coach Starnes hugs Wayne Claiborne after he set a new school rushing record for one game, 282 yards.



Coach Berry's yelling and coach Hyatt's 'chaw'

"Practice makes perfect."

How many times have we heard this repeated: piano teachers say if for effect; English teachers say it is trite, but only football coaches take its meaning to heart.

During the junior varsity's season, coaches Tom Berry and Joe Hyatt were no exceptions. They knew what they wanted us to do and exactly how it should be done. According to them, there was only one way for us to learn: practice.

The first two weeks were the toughest, but by the beginning of school it seemed as if we might have a slim chance of shaping up into a working unit. In fact, we remained strong contenders for the championship throughout the season until an upsetting loss to E.C. Glass in our final game. Maybe the Glass team practiced more. (You didn't hear that, Coach.)

The statistics are on record and are now a part of **our** history but we retain the personal part, for we'll replay the year's highlights:

Mike Cole's Larry Czonka T-shirt, Coach Berry's yelling, Sterling Edmunds' 52-shoot, Coach Hyatt's "chaw" of tobacco, Coach Berry's yelling, Henry "Cheetah" Smith's singing, Chris Wilmouth's "allright", Terry Burkholder's new plays, Big Larry Griffin's wind sprints, Coach Berry's yelling, Joe Exum's stale jokes, Joey Cole's passing, Stanley Davis' size 13 shoes and Coach Berry's yelling.

JV Football 1974 Records: 7-2

Person County	6	0
GW	6	26
Reidsville	8	0
GW	12	0
Pulaski	32	26
E.C. Glass	14	12
Franklin County	6	0
William Fleming	28	6
E.C. Glass	0	14



JV squad. Larry Griffin, Ernest Dunkley, Carroll Lovelace, Tommy Daniel, Jeff Pruitt, Mark Satterfield, Billy Weaver, Tim Ferrell, Jesse Barksdale, Sterling Edmunds, Ronald Waller (**second row**) Henry Smith,

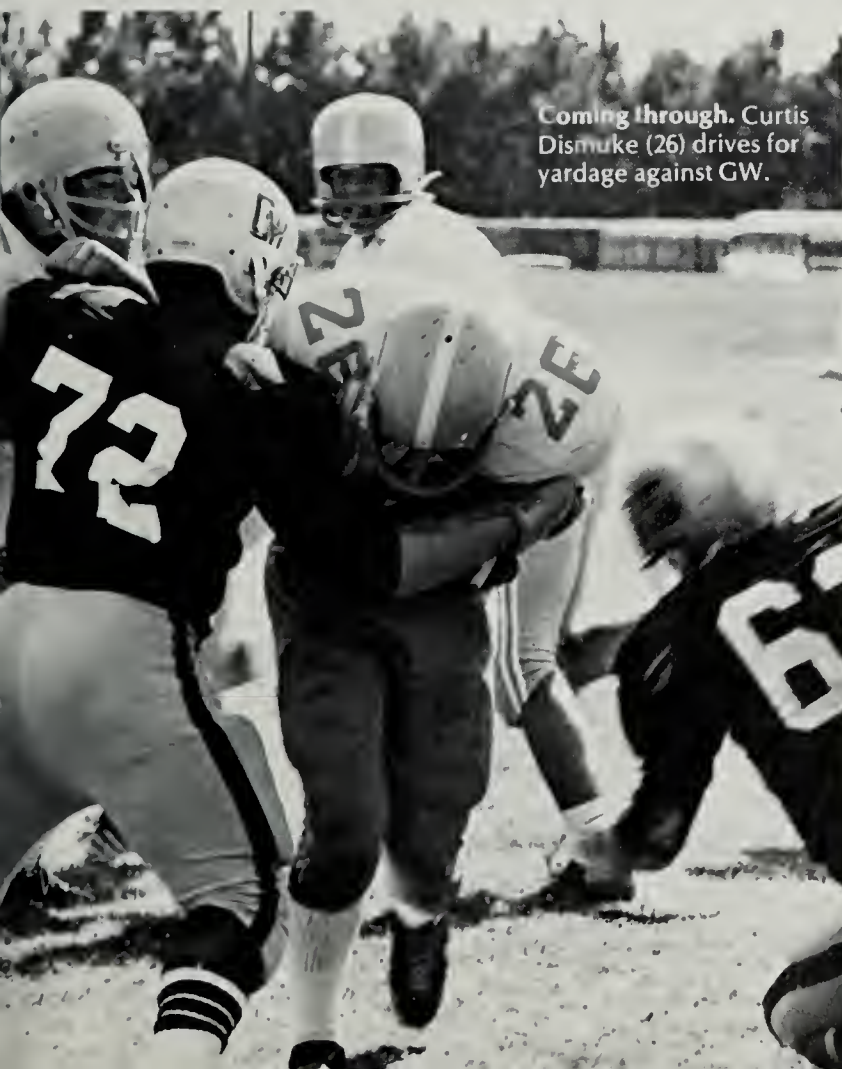
Joe Exum, Alan Goode, Danny Hamm, Forrest Nichols, Donnell Lee, Joey Cole, Terry Burkholder, Cornelius Medley, Murray Jeffress, Calvin Medley, (**top**) Coach Berry, James Chappell, Joe Elliott, James

Crowder, Doug Hutchenson, Stanley Davis, Chuck Church, Courtney Humphries, Henry Loftis, Corwin Word, Mike Cole, Marlon Brandon and Assistant Coach Hyatt. The team recorded a 7-2 season.



Gang tackle. Extra yards seem hard to come by as Baby Blue halfback Corwin Word is surrounded by the GW defense.

Next play. Coach Tom Berry advises his quarterback Terry Burkholder on which play to run against Franklin County.



Coming through. Curtis Dismuke (26) drives for yardage against GW.



Pile-up. The JV's scramble as they stop Glass's TD attempt. The Blues then drove 98 yards to score and to win the game.

Wishful watchers. JV cheerleaders Cathy Collins, Sherry Talbott, Judy Allen and Kathy Gilliam wait to cheer for the girls' basketball team.

Helping hand. Barbara Claiborne gives Becky Riddle a boost in one of the cheers at a pep rally before the GW game.



Cheerleading is . . .



It's trying out in the spring with sponsor Mr. Moore's eyes piercing right through you.

It's learning to get along with the others and work hard, work hard, work hard!!

It's being a person to whom is said, "Hey, you're a cheerleader, aren't you?"

It's having those, "Oh it's the first game! Will they like us?" butterflies.

It's wearing the senior high school Blue Comet uniform.

It's working overtime by making posters, selling tickets and painting hoops.

It's cheering with faith and loyalty for the Comet team — even when they lose.

It's being sweaty, "beautiful," happy, cheerful and tired all at

the same time!

It's having the personality to share with the "other team's" cheerleaders.

It's being able to laugh and go on when you've just fallen on your face during a cheer.

It's working in a car wash on a rainy day and trying not to get wet.

It's happily riding in a "too hot or too cold" van and eating hamburgers every away game of the season.

It's peppering up a thousand "dead" students at a pep rally when you've just finished flunking a test.

It's doing your best to outdo last year's cheerleaders at all times, whether selling cushions, dance tickets or doing stunts.

It's always being proud that you were chosen to cheer for the senior high and the Blue Comet teams!

Undecided stare. Debra Hubert looks down the court as she performs a cheer at a home basketball game with Northside.



Shaking up. Betty Johnston performs a tumbling routine at the home E.C. Glass football game.

Cheerleaders pose. (Front) Debra Hubert, Peggy Baskervill, Barbara Claiborne, Regina Morton and Charlene D'Agata, (back) Lisa Carden, Patrice Banks, Betty Johnston, Bridget Neece and Becky Riddle.



Artists. Regina Morton prepares a banner, assisted by Beverly Betts. Cheerleaders put banners in the cafeteria for home games.

Come alive! Bridget Neece and Becky Riddle attempt to bring the crowd to life in a home game against Patrick Henry.





Being females, people didn't expect much of us as our basketball season began. Maybe they didn't expect much because they barely knew we existed as a team; but we all made up our minds, gritted our teeth and set out to make ourselves known. After much hard practice, we felt we were in shape and ready to win.

Our games were every Tuesday and Thursday during the last half of September and all of October and though our record wasn't as good as we had hoped for, we did improve a lot over those two months. Considering that many of us had never played on a basketball team before, and that most of the other teams had a few years of experience over us, we thought that the 4-6 record we ended up with was pretty good.

In shape and ready to win

Getting up. The 34's are matched up and Halifax's Diane Banks shows 'em who's boss as she gets the tap.



Abra cadabra! Eva Dillard demonstrates a little of her magic powers as she summons toward her a pass from teammate Gina Poindexter.



It's all yours. Bringing the ball downcourt for the Comets is Mattie Bowman as Diane Banks goes in for a pass.



Girls' basketball. (Bottom row) manager Kay Williams, Debra Pleasants, Barbara Cage, Sandy Talbott, Donna Guthrie (second row) Kay Satterfield, Mattie Bowman, Donna Talbott, Gina Poindexter, Melba Delaware, Bonnie Conner, (top row) scorekeeper Ann Gordon, Eva Dillard, Penny Banks, Diane Banks, Annette Watts and Coach Francis Mitchell.



**Basketball 1974
Record: 406**

	HCSH	Opp.
Amherst	39	31
GW	23	29
Franklin Co.	47	24
Northside	32	33
Amherst	36	29
Pulaski	43	39
Patrick Henry	37	55
Cave Spring	41	47
William Fleming	24	46
E.C. Glass	27	60



Putting it in. Annette Watts goes up for an unblocked jump shot. Annette had a total of 53 points for the season.

Pain and progress

Gymnastics team: (Bottom row) Kathy Langston, Carlene Conner, (second row) Sheila Stevenson, Debbie Harrison, Heidi Benner, (third row) Coach Martha Avery, Bridgett Guthrie and Lydia Tuck.

The other side. It takes plenty of work and a lot of long, hard practices to be ready to enter into competition. Vaulter Lydia Tuck strives for perfect form as she prepares for the next meet.



The best thing about being on the volleyball team was going to away games on the bus. We really had some good times and we still got to know people whom we wouldn't have met otherwise.

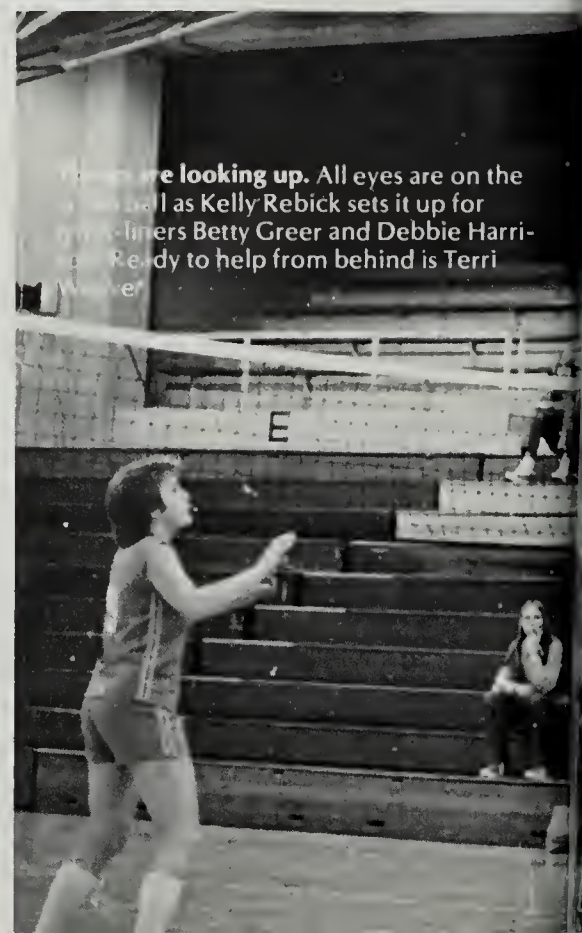
Because of the team's record, many uninformed people say that we didn't practice hard enough. Well, volleyball practice was no joy. Mrs. Anne Cochran warmed us up with rope jumping, running, finger exercising and push-ups. Practice was hard, but we learned a lot and felt a sense of satisfaction.

In November, the smallest of the varsity teams, the gymnasts, met regularly. We worked on both compulsory and optional routines in four

categories: floor exercise, balance beam, vaulting and uneven parallel bars. As we progressed, there were broken toes and sprained ankles, but, best of all, progress.

In January, the meets began. The first was a dual meet in which Halifax triumphed over GW of Danville. The last was a two day district meet at Pulaski County. At the end of the season, Halifax placed fifth in the district, which wasn't bad for a second-year team.

Scores weren't the only thing which counted. Everyone learned to work together; everyone helped everyone else. We were a group participating in individual sports but thinking as a team.



They're looking up. All eyes are on the ball as Kelly Rebeck sets it up for line-liners Betty Greer and Debbie Harrison. Ready to help from behind is Terri Sawyer.



It takes coordination. Poised atop the parallel bars is petite gymnast Debbie Harrison. She also competes in floor exercises and on the balance beam.

Volleyball 1974

Record: 1-9

	HCSH	Opp.
Amherst	0	2
GW	1	<u>2</u>
Franklin Co.	2	1
Northside	1	2
Amherst	1	2
Pulaski	0	2
Patrick Henry	0	2
Cave Spring	1	2
William Fleming	1	2
E.C. Glass	1	2

Gymnastics 1975

GW	64.8	29.6
E.C. Glass	66.4	41.9

First Sectional Meet

Second Place

Second Sectional Meet

Fifth Place

Western District Meet

Fifth Place



Volleyball team. (Bottom row) Rose Edmunds, Terri Weaver, Angela Gerst, Debbie Harrison, Savannah Clark, Kelly Rebick, **(second row)** Vanessa Ragsdale, Toni Ross, Susan Pruett, Betty Adams and Betty Greer.

Huffin' and puffin'

The spring months brought with them not only some strange weather, but also the girls' sports of tennis and track. Despite rough weather, practice went on daily.

One of the highlights of the tennis season was a trip to Pulaski, where the girls played despite the fact that the wind was almost strong enough to blow them back home. The track team had a similar experience,

playing host to GW of Danville and E.C. Glass of Lynchburg on a drizzly Wednesday afternoon.

Two members of the track team, Debra Pleasants and Angela Gerst, made it to the state meet. The track team as a whole was second in the District while the tennis team showed great improvement over last year and wound up with their best record yet.

Giving her all. Barbara Cage returns a shot as she rallies against her opponent during a close match with E.C. Glass.



Powerful return. Sending the ball back over the net is Compton player Sherry Niles. The girls' practiced every day from 4 to 6 p.m. every day.



Horizontal twist. Bonnie Conner executes all she has learned by using good form in the high jump event at the home tri-meet with Franklin County and GW.



Showing good form. Concentrating on her forehand is netter Kay Satterfield, who alternated with Barbara Cage as Number 1 player.



Tennis team. (Bottom) Terri Weaver, Manager Wanda Sue Forlines, Barbara Cage, Sandy Talbott, **(second)** Angela Gerst, Harriet Hite, Donna Talbott, Jenny Morgan, Kay Satterfield, Kelly Rebick, **(top)** Donna Walker, Betty Adams, Patti Ford, Sherri Nunn, Annette Watts, Coach Frances Mitchell.

Tennis 1975
Record: 3-7

	HCSH	Opp.
E.C. Glass	1	6
GW	0	7
Dunbar	6	1
Martinsville	7	3
Martinsville	3	7
GW	0	7
Pulaski	2	5
Patrick Henry	1	6
William Fleming	6	1
E.C. Glass	1	6

Track 1975

	HCSH	Opp.
Glass	67.5	61.5
GW	—	13
Person Co.	59	50
GW	53.5	20
Franklin Co.	—	68.5

Western District Tourney
Second Place



Worth a try. Sandy Talbott ignores the fence and gets a good-luck kiss from fellow tennis player, Marshall Rowland.



Track team. (Bottom row) Heidi Benner, Bonnie Conner, Vivian Majors, Carolyn Leigh, Geneva Glass, Mary Boyd, **(second row)** Debra Pleasants, Debbie Harrison, Doris Ann Chappell, Iris Boxley, Sandra Wilmouth, Melissa Graber, Angela Gerst, **(top row)** Coach Martha Avery, Toni Ross, Kathy Gilliam, Carlene Conner, Kathy Langston, Diane Banks, managers Sharon Humphrey and Vanessa Ragsdale, Coach Frances Mitchell.

'Cries' and 'highs'

Events happen in threes, people say. Some for the good; some for the bad. It all depends on the point of view. For the third time in a row, we advanced to the state basketball tournament. That's good. Very good. For the third time in a row, we lost. That's bad. But not very bad. Think of all the state teams that didn't make it at all.

A basketball season is a combination of "cries" and "highs." The first of our "cries" came during pre-season practice with those running line drills. In early November it seemed like we were doing all that sweating and running for nothing, but four months later we were in first place in the district and would automatically go to the regional tournament.

We really felt like crying after the Cave Spring game. We were riding the crest of a 17-game winning streak until the Knights did us in on their home court. But a time that hurt even more was the one-point loss to E.C. Glass in the season's next-to-last game.

I guess nothing topped the "high" and the excitement of tournament time. Not only were the games tense and action packed, but it was the time when we left school early or didn't even come at all. We went to Charlottesville and lay around at the motel most of the day. Then when we won, we could hardly sleep that night, thinking of things we had done wrong or things we had done right. And when we lost . . . well, that's another story.



Come to me. Marvin Fallen (33) leaps high after a much needed rebound in a game against Person County won by the Comets.



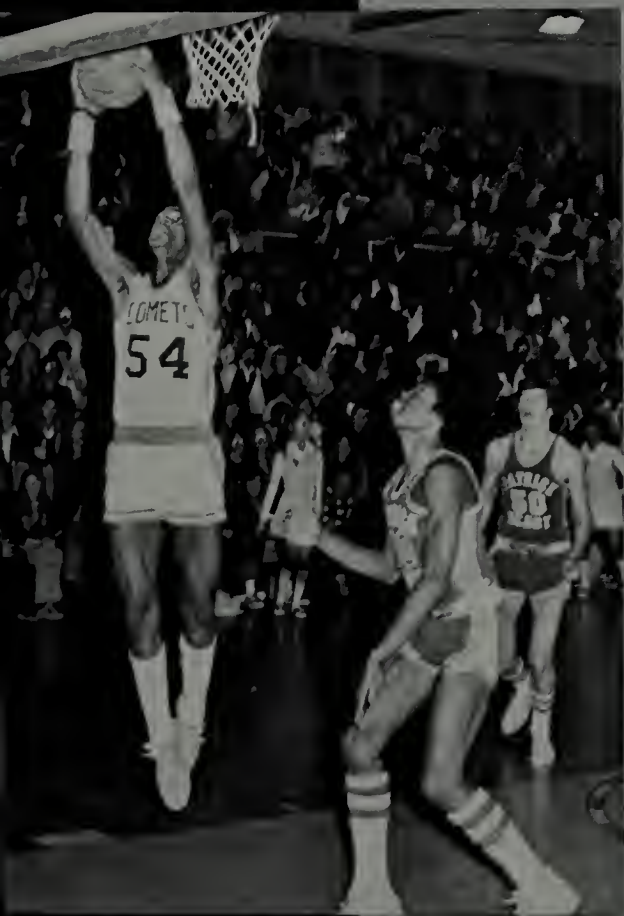
Going up. David Waston puts a move on a Northside defender in the game played at Northside. The Comets won, 61-53.



Where is the handle? Larry Scott seems to be looking for a handle to pick the ball up in a game played on Comet court.



Team work: Co-conspirators Henry McMillan (55) and L.F. Elliott (45) go up together to steal the rebound.



Just watching. Henry McMillan makes an easy lay-up as well as Patrick Henry. Defenders stand by. The Comets lead 21-18.

'Cries' and 'highs'

Continued

Team play was the key to success during the basketball season as the Blues' 24-3 ledger was the best in the school's history, and the 24 wins were also the most wins in a single season. The team finished second in the race for the state crown for the second time in school history. Individual honors were won also. Harry Morris, Larry Scott and L.F. Elliott were named to the All-Western District squad. Morris also made All-Northwest Regional and was named to the second team All-State.



Varsity basketball team. (Front) manager Larry Hill, Larry Burrell, James Smith, Mark Wilkerson, David Weston, Frank Godbold, Norman Hill and George Woody. (Back) head coach Wayne Lloyd, manager Sammy Smith, Edward Owens, Larry Scott, Marvin Fallen, Harry Morris, Cecil Hogue, L.F. Elliott, Lee Wilkerson, managers Eddie Brown and Earl Johnson and assistant coach Elvin Dyer.



Super Smith. James Smith jumps high with the greatest of ease to outmaneuver a baffled Eagle defender. The Comets topped GW, 61-55.

Listen well. Coach Wayne Lloyd issues vital instructions to his Comets in his first year as head coach.



Flying high. Larry Scott leaps to try to block a shot against Northside. Moving into position are (54) Harry Morris (44) L.F. Elliott and (12) James Smith.



I got this one. L.F. Elliott beats teammate Harry Morris to a rebound in the game played against Person County in Roxboro. The Comets won, 50-35.

Varsity Basketball 1975
Record: 24-3

	HCSH	OPP
Person County	41	40
William Fleming	58	52
GW	61	53
Northside	56	37
Franklin County	72	57
Orange County	67	51
Cummings	84	70
Pulaski	43	41
Cave Spring	75	53
Patrick Henry	56	41
Person County	50	35
E.C. Glass	63	52
William Fleming	87	50
GW	51	47
Northside	61	53
Franklin County	79	66
Cave Spring	51	59
Pulaski	73	39
E.C. Glass	73	74
Patrick Henry	61	39
District Tournament		
Northside	47	42
GW	54	51
Patrick Henry	54	32
Regional Tournament		
Albemarle	53	49
Patrick Henry	40	38
State Tournament		
T.C. Williams	64	48
Thomas Jefferson	37	41



Court competition. L.F. Elliot loses a much needed rebound to Thomas Jefferson's Harris in the state championship game.



Not high enough. Frank Godbold attempts to shoot over the Viking pivotman Otis Fulton in the state finals which the Comets lost.

'Cries' and 'highs'

Continued

Only four points . . . but they were whoppers.

And the Blues, for the third straight year, were denied the ultimate: a state Group AAA basketball championship.

The Comets, after blowing out T.C. Williams of Alexandria in the semi-final game, 64-48, failed to protect a slender, game-long lead against Thomas Jefferson of Richmond and dropped the 41-37 state championship decision to Teejay.

"Without a doubt, they were the best team we faced all year," said Comet coach Wayne Lloyd. "If we couldn't win, I felt like they deserved it."

The championship game was seen by more than 4,000 fans in the University of Virginia's University Hall in Charlottesville, with well over 1,000 of these following the Comets as they had done loyally all season long.



Get down. Harry Morris pulls down a big rebound in the state semi-finals game against T.C. Williams. The Comets romped over Williams 64-48 and advanced to the finals.

We want everything. Cecil Hogue and Eddie "Bear" Brown cut the nets after winning in regional play. Net snipping is a traditional privilege that all players enjoy.

Not mere prelims

JV Basketball 1975
Record: 12-6

	HCSH	Opp.
Person Co.	47	45
William Fleming	40	55
GW	38	40
Northside	36	29
Franklin Co.	47	50
Pulaski	37	55
Cave Spring	46	34
Patrick Henry	40	35
Person Co.	39	34
E.C. Glass	36	30
William Fleming	49	41
GW	38	32
Northside	41	52
Franklin Co.	47	34
Cave Spring	36	35
Pulaski	37	36
E.C. Glass	49	45
Patrick Henry	47	49

It seemed like a two-point season. The JV's began with a two-point victory over the Person County Rockets from Roxboro but ended with a 47-49 loss to Patrick Henry.

In between those games, the JV's packed a schedule of thrilling games that so pleased the home fans that the stands were filled long before the varsity games began. The Baby Blue contests weren't mere prelims before the "big boys" went into action. They were fine basketball games in their own right.

Fans particularly enjoyed the second half of the season when the Baby Blues captured 10 of their last 12 games, two of them being one-point victories won in the last seconds.

Henry "Chita" Smith was the team's leading scorer, closely followed by Curtis Dismuke, who led the team in rebounds.



JV's: (Front) Darrell Bailey, Marshall Jones, Scott Worsham, Terry Burkholder, Joseph DeShazo, **(second)** Larry Smith, Curtis Dismuke, Henry Smith, David Richardson, Eddie Barks-

dale, Marlon Brandon, **(back)** Coach Chris Dunn, Coach John Crittenden, Michael Williams, Arthur Smith, John Garland, Donnel Martin, Alfonzo Grant, Donald Waller, managers.

Two points. Joseph DeShazo drives in for a lay-up against the Rockets with David Richardson waiting to assist him if needed.





I'll get it. Terry Burkholder tries a jump shot to score two while Richardson watches. They beat Roxboro, 39-34.

Stay down. Donnel Martin shoots for two in the win against Northside while Arthur Smith watches behind.



Ball scramble. Leaping high, Henry (Chita) Smith competes with a Fleming Colonel for the ball on the home court.



A wrestling season that went



Rocking chair. Wrestlers rock and roll through vigorous exercises to help develop their legs, stomach and back muscles.

Help! Help! A Halifax County wrestler gets pinned as teammates watch the action in a match with Amherst.



"I think we had a successful season," Coach Randolph Perry said.

What? How could a season with zip wins be considered a success? Even by the coach involved?

"Considering this was the first year in the school's 22-year history that wrestling was offered, things couldn't be counted a failure," the coach continued. "Wrestlers, unlike many other athletes, take years to develop skills necessary for championships."

Even so, there were times when Coach Perry, could point with pride as could Mr. Jerry Marsella, assistant coach. Charlie Wilson, James Farrington and Steve Palmer progressed rapidly in learning the sport and by mid-season Wilson had lost only one match. In post-season play, he placed third in the district and the regional, defeating the Western District champion in the regional.

Wrestling 1975 Record: 0-10

	HCSH Opp.	
GW	27	42
Amherst	9	45
Franklin Co.	34	62
Northside	8	66
Amherst	2	58
Pulaski	13	49
E.C. Glass	6	54
Patrick Henry	3	52
Cave Spring	9	55
William Fleming	6	60



Teammates. (Top) Coach Jerry Marsella, Wilson Hill, James Farrington, Carl Ferrell, Steve Farmer, Murray Jeffress, Coach Randolph Perry, **(middle)** Anthony Anderson,

Charlie Wilson, Jesse Barksdale, Raymond Roberts, Sameul Goode **(bottom)** Carl Barksdale, Earnest Wilson, Jay Matthews, Melvin Faulkner, Steve Palmer.

Gotcha. Steve Palmer in the 126-pound class was the only Comet to win against E.C. Glass in a home match.

AAARRRGHHH!!! Nelson Kirby strains for extra distance in the long jump against Patrick Henry. He won the event.



Runs,



Outdoor Track 1975 Record: 6-1

	HCSH	OPP.
J.F. Webb	102	34
Franklin Co.	110	35
Patrick Henry	110	26
GW	65	71
Cage Spring	90	46
Franklin Co.	91	45
E.C. Glass	72	64

Ronnie Rose Invitational

Second Place

Western District

Third Place

Northwest Regionals

Eighth Place



Flying high. Ernest Dunkley clears the bar in a home track meet against GW and Franklin County.



Grrrrrunt! In the shot put competition Cecil Talley gives it all he's got as Coach Ron Ramsey watches for form.

leaps, jumps and disappointments

Flying leap. In the high jump competition Mark Wilkerson barely clears the bar at the CW home meet. The Eagles won.



Another year, another track team? This year it may have been just that to many; but a few, well-knowledgeable people know that it was a very important year. The '74-75 year could be termed the year of re-organizing.

The year for cross country was a good one as they had one runner to go to the state meet, Donald Waller. Waller, a junior, placed forty-second in state competition.

A slightly slow indoor track season began with only 25 people on the team. In this, the second year of indoor track, the runners practiced in cold weather with bad conditions but were determined to give it their all. All meets were played away since there is no local indoor track.

In their first, but unofficial, meet, the team did well in the Lynch-

burg Christmas Invitational. From this meet the indoor season went on to complete a record of 5-3.

This led to a more promising outdoor team, with other trackmen coming from the basketball and wrestling teams along with members of the indoor team and new track members.

Starting with a good showing at the Ronnie Rose Memorial Relays, placing second, Coach Bristol Martin discovered where his strengths and weaknesses were. He worked on those weaknesses hard enough so that twelve of his trackmen competed in the regionals.

The final record for the year was 6-3 but Coach Martin had warm words of praise for his team. "It wasn't our most successful year, but the team worked hard and gave it all they had."



Comet track team. (Front) Manager David Booker, Marvin Fallen, Donald Waller, Corwin Word, Johnny Miller, Ronald Waller, Dwight Muse, Macon Sizemore, Frank Ridgway, Williams Edmunds, Donald Thaxton, Ray Owen, Bill McLaughlin, manager Alfonzo Grant, **(middle)** Jesse Barksdale, Kenny Logan, Jerome Squires, Leo Ferguson, Anthony Anderson, Dale Holebrook, William Easley, David Pointer, Henry Smith, Frank Lutz, Jeff Martin, Eugene Wyatt, Leonard Faulkner, Mark Wilkerson, Manager Thomas King, **(back)** Coach B. Martin, Dennis Osborne, Cecil Hogue, Cecil Coleman, Terry Ingram, Cecil Talley, Nelson Kirby, L.F. Elloit, Claude Womack, Courtney Humphries, Ernest Dunkley, Cornelious Medley, James Brame, Charles Bruce, Wayne Claiborne, Coach E. Dyer, Coach R. Ramsey.

Numero Uno. Donald Waller was voted the most valuable distance runner on the track team.

An 'almost' state title

The bad luck which has been said to belong to any Comet player in state competition, once again made itself felt when the baseball team had its chance at a state title. Committing two costly errors in this game, the Comets lost to George Marshall High School.

Though the state title remained an "almost" instead of becoming a reality, the Comets did have an excellent season. A perfect defensive game, with no errors committed by the home town team was played in the regional finals

against GW of Danville. They also captured the Northwest Regional title for the first time in the history of this school.

The best batting average of the season, .429, was held by first baseman Stanley Davis. Alvin Mitchell and Willie Petty shared the honor of having the second best average, both batting .340.

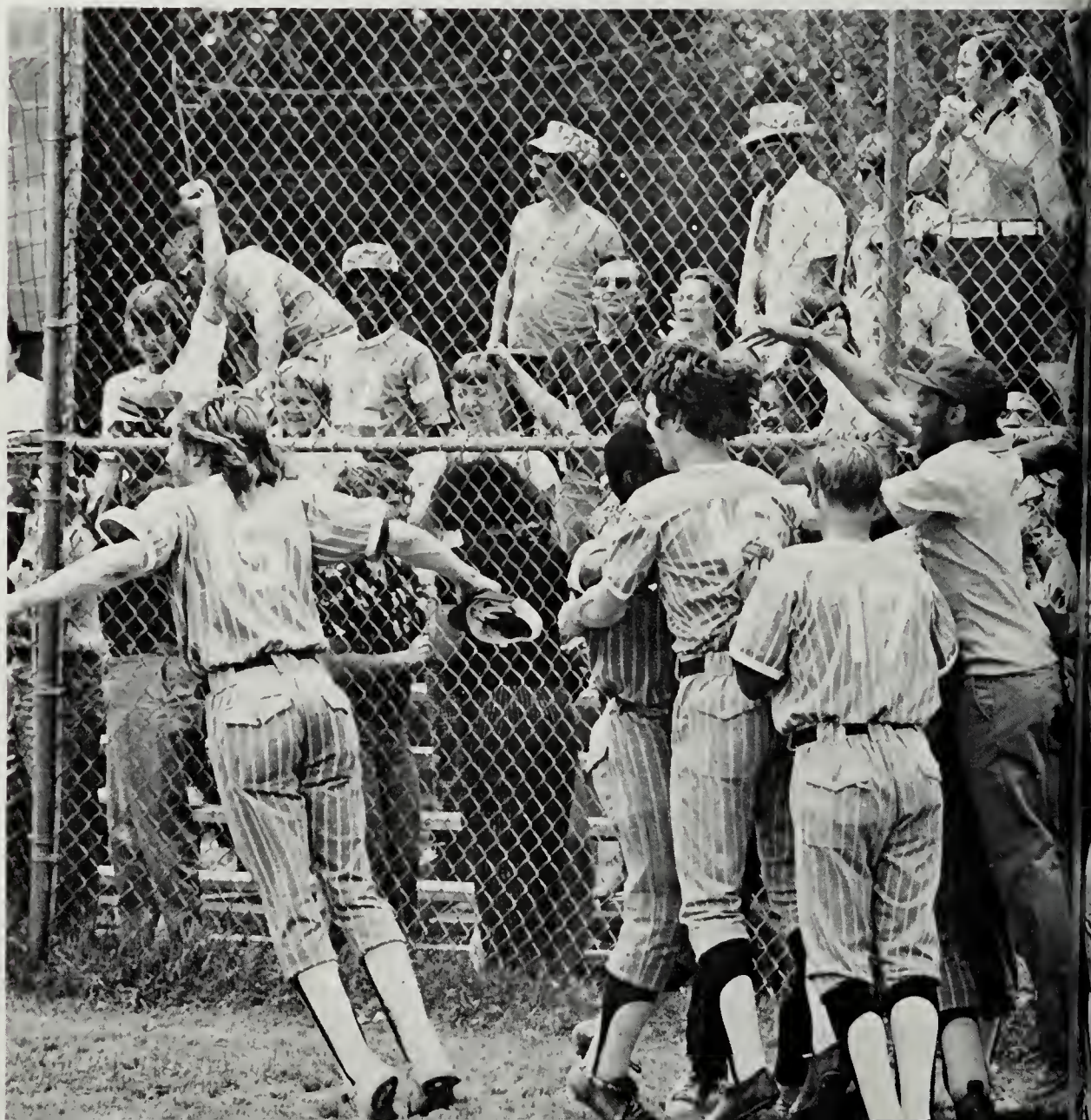
The best defensive player was Mike Watts and the best pitcher was Bobby Medley who had a 9-3 record. Alvin Mitchell received the most valuable player award.



Final stretch. Racing against the baseball, Comet Mike Taylor covers that final yard in a hurry as he scores a run against Roxboro.



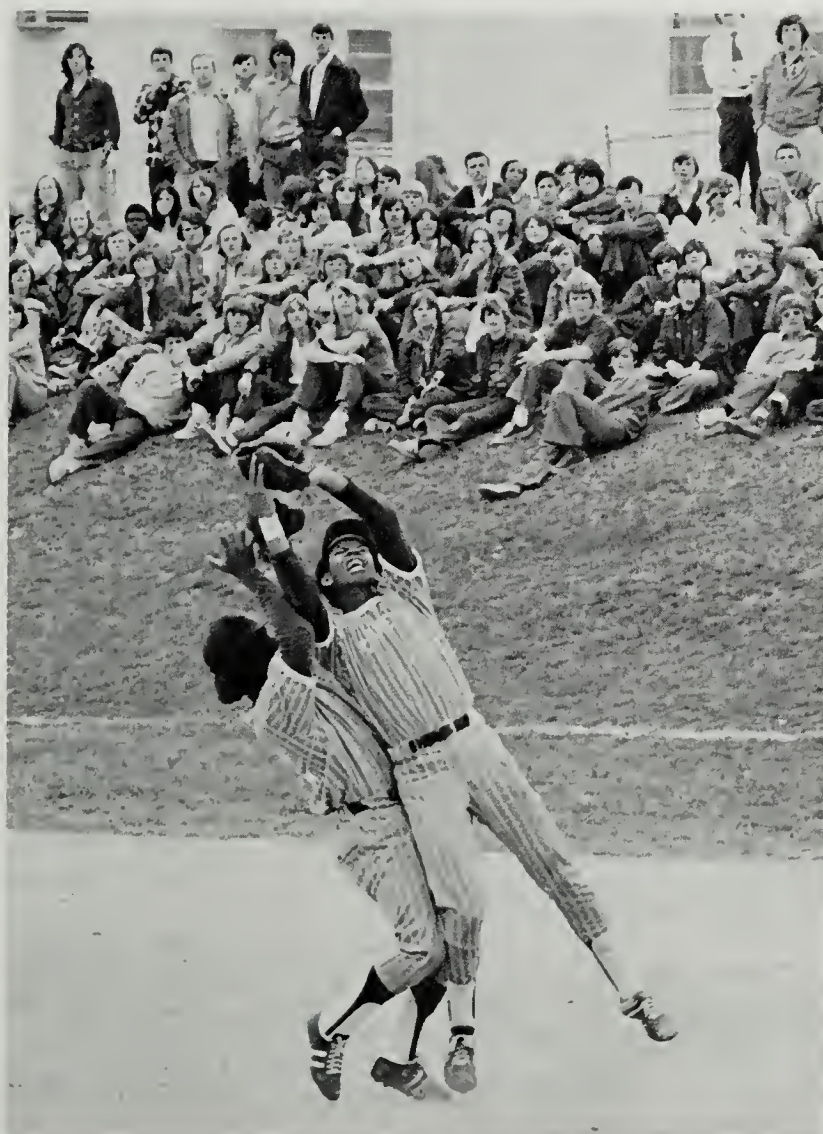
Mighty release. The strain of power shows as Jeff Wallace takes his turn at bat in a home game.





Regional winners. (Bottom row) Carlton Delaware, Wesley Dismuke, Willie Petty, Bobby Medley, Greg Llewellyn, **(middle row)** Curtis Dismuke, Stanley Davis, David Day, Scott Worsham, Calvin Medley, Alvin

Mitchell, Everett Nichols, Mike Watts, Willis Faulkner, **(top row)** Coach Tyrone Powell, Johnny Dismuke, Joey Cole, David Rose, Otie Clark, Mark Yates, Jeff Wallace, Mike Taylor and Coach Joe Hyatt.



Jump ball! Pitcher Bobby Medley and first baseman Stanley Davis combine in efforts to catch a pop fly in the Comet win over GW played before the HCSH student body.

High spirits. Victory is obvious and spirit is abundant as Comet players kick up their heels and offer each other congratulations after winning the district title.

Baseball 1975		
Record: 16-6		
	HCSH	Opp.
Person County	12	0
Nottaway	4	6
Hargrave	10	2
E.C. Glass	10	3
GW	6	2
Person County	7	3
Franklin County	7	8
Nottaway	5	6
Northside	5	0
GW	1	4
Pulaski	7	1
Patrick Henry	0	17
Cave Spring	1	0
William Fleming	7	0
E.C. Glass	4	1
Hargrave	1	0
Franklin County	2	1
District Tournament		
GW	7	4
E.C. Glass	3	2
Regional Tournament		
Stonewall Jackson	7	6
GW	3	2
State Tournament		
George Marshall	2	15

Swinging a tennis raquet, swinging a golf club



Number one man. Marshall Rowland returns a ball in one of the Comet netter victories over Central High.



Doubles champs. Ricky Rowland displays a perfect backhand to onlooker and teammate Billy Weaver.

Tennis 1975 Record: 6-10		
	HCSH	Opp.
Person County	1	8
Central Senior	8	1
E.C. Glass	0	9
Wells	4	5
Central Senior	8	1
GW	0	9
Wells	9	0
Person County	4	5
Northside	7	2
Pulaski	2	7
Franklin County	5	4
Cave Spring	2	7
Patrick Henry	0	9
GW	0	9
William Fleming	7	2
E.C. Glass	0	9



Comet tennis team. (Kneeling) Marshall Rowland, Hill Felton, Billy Weaver, Don Yeatts and Craddock Shields, **(standing)**

John Pinson, Kenneth Guill, Mike Cole, Chuck Hatcher, Rob Cox and Ricky Rowland. They are coached by Mr. Mickey Vanney.

Whether they were swinging a tennis racket or swinging a golf club, the spring sportsmen were working hard for victories.

Out on the golf courses, the leading Comet linksman was Phil Rinker. Phil not only placed in district and regional tournaments but also qualified for and played in the state tournament. Also competing in regional play was Rick Farrell.

The tennis season got off to a bad start as it was ushered in by an unseasonal spell of cold, windy weather. Practices were sometimes cancelled due to pre-flood rains; but, at other times, there was only wind and cold weather to hinder progress. These were the days which called for warm warm-up suits and extra strong strokes to insure good placement of the ball.

Team members, coached by Mr. Mickey Vanney, had an extremely full schedule once the season got under way. After several close matches against stiff competition, the boys ended their season, 6-10, one of the better records in recent years.



Hard hitter. Kenneth Guill meets the ball in one of the Comet matches against Northside.



Top man. Phil Rinker putts during practice at the Halifax County Country Club.

Golf 1975		
Record: 3-5		
	HCSH	Opp.
Central Senior	328	360
District Invitational		
Third Place		
Person County	314	321
Central Senior	309	322
GW	324	311
District Invitational		
Sixth Place		
GW-Moorehead-HCSH Meet		
Third Place		
District Tournament		
Fourth Place		



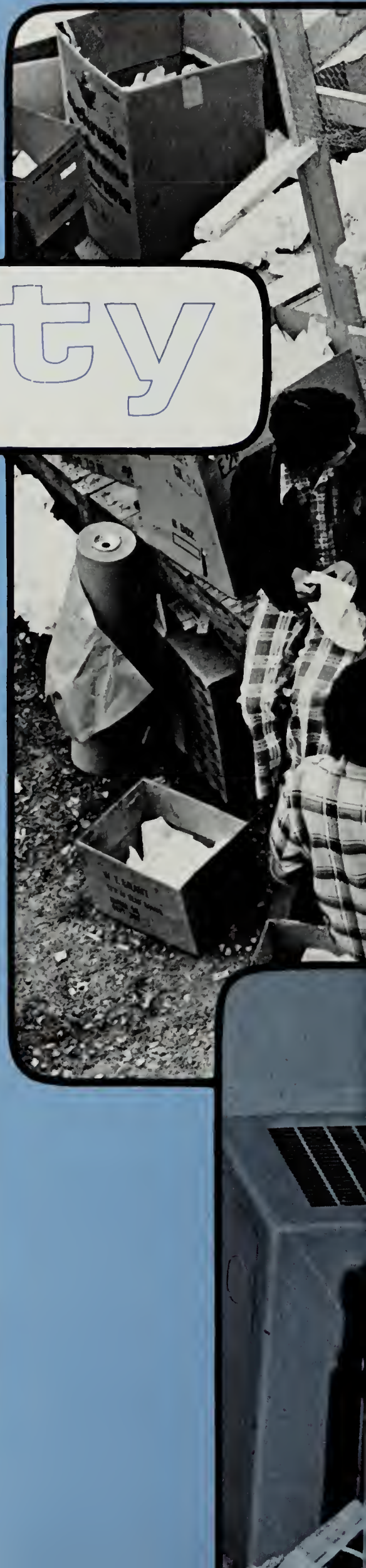
The golf team. (Sitting) Robbie Harris, Scott Rottler, Donnie Knowlson, Jim Martin, (kneeling) Mark Cassada, Tommy Rudder,

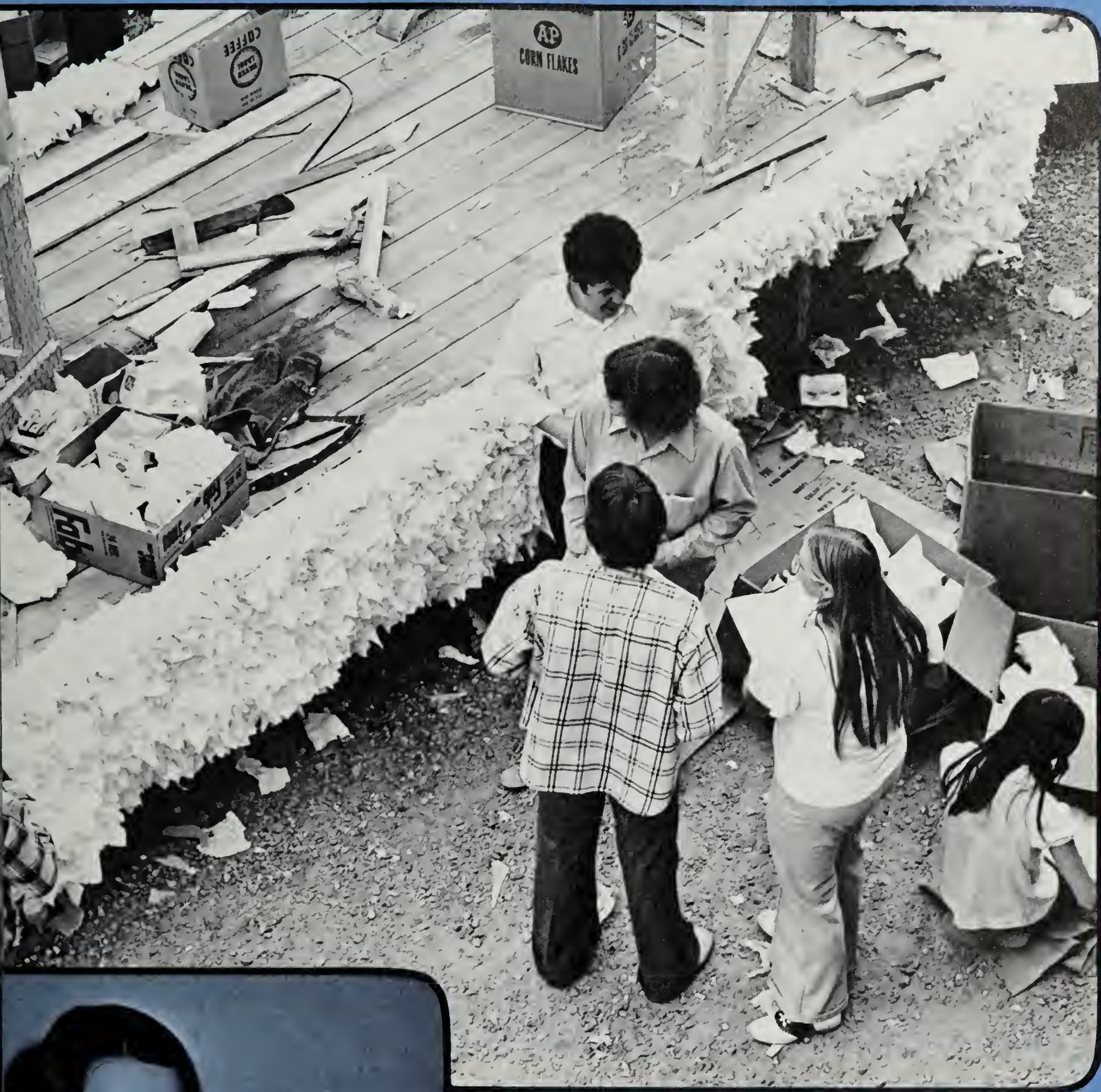
Buster Butler, Don Lowery, (standing) Rick Farrell, David Ford, Keith Gilliam and John Brandon.

Warranty

Conditions of warranty

- Warranty good for 180 days.
- Warranty void on all tests with two-party participation.
- Warranty doesn't cover loss by theft of any club's napkins for their Homecoming float.
- Warranty void if club sponsor doesn't come to club meetings.
- Warranty doesn't cover yearbook pictures revealing students in unflattering situations.
- Warranty doesn't cover humor or lack of it in Mr. David Dunn's jokes.





Float builders. Latin Club members confer before continuing work on their Homecoming float amid the chaos of lumber, chicken wire and napkins.

Macramé skills. Linda Elliott tries a new technique taught to selected art students in a workshop sponsored by the local chapter of the Virginia Museum.



Club blahs again

By Kate Mapp

An array of blue and white napkins were strewn about the ground. Students were getting out of the house on school nights to assist in the making of floats for the Homecoming parade.

"Hey, Mike, let me have some more yellow napkins, man."

"This dumb napkin won't wrap around the chicken wire right; it keeps falling out."

"Ohhhhhhh! I just broke my longest fingernail because of this float! We better get first place!"

"The cave looks lopsided right here. Let's put some more napkins on this side."

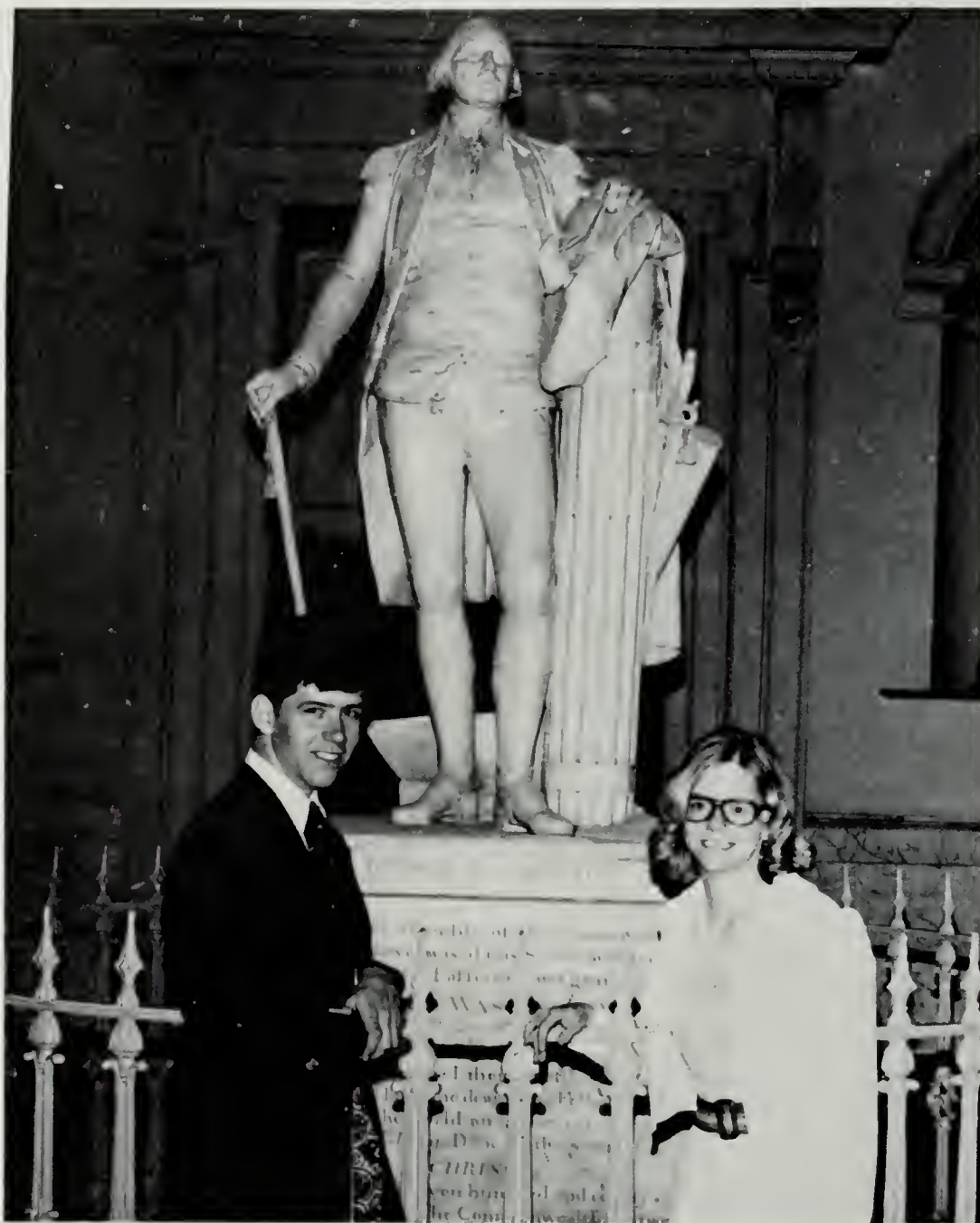
"This guillotine is beginning to look alright. Let me have a swallow of that drink, hoss."

While the Spanish Club was busily working on their cave for the Homecoming float, the Current Events Club was tediously watching them. While the SCA prepared their float to carry the queen and the VICA made their boat, the Dragsters Club was sitting at home. While the French Club constructed their guillotine, the Lettermen were drumming their fingers. While HERO members designed their cave and spring, the County History would-be group was

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Boogie time. Senior high students dance to the sounds of "Sandcastle" at a winter dance sponsored by the DECA Club.



Statuesque pose. Will Solomon and Sally Stevens, delegates to the Model General Assembly, pause for a picture in the State Capitol Building.



Smiling Susan. Football co-captain C.T. Talley culminates the Homecoming activities by crowning Susan Fulp queen as her escort Mike Vaughn stands by.

Student leaders. Student Council officers are Stan Yeatts, president; Debra Holt, vice-president; Sharon Graves, secretary; Wanda Forloines, treasurer; Peggy Baskervill, reporter and Charlie Davis, sergeant-at-arms.



Stan the man. Summer vacation provides SCA president Stan Yeatts with time to think back over "his year" as the school's top leader.



Club blahs again

continued



Trash collectors? Hi-Y members Jay Camp, Becky Riddle, Barbara Regar and Kathy Throckmorton display their entry in the county clean up campaign.

yawning in front of the TV.

Why weren't the Current Events Club, Dragsters, the Lettermen and the County History members participating in the activity? Because there were no such clubs. Why? Because either these clubs were not closely related to academic classes or there was a lack of interest.

And therein lies the story of success or lack of it for clubs. After thorough research and investigation, three conclusions may be reached. Club activity is in proportion to (1) the close relationship of a club to an academic class, (2) the newness of the club and (3) the enthusiasm of the adviser.

Most clubs which were closely connected to classes were more successful than most of the clubs which were not.

For example, Distributive Educational Clubs of America (DECA), the club activity of DE, was extremely successful. A District Fall Rally Kick Off started the year off to install new members. In district contests, DECA won eleven awards: five firsts, two seconds and three thirds. Eight members went to the state contest and five participated. DECA was honored with a Blue Star Award.

Other examples of closely related clubs are the language clubs. In addition to their individual projects ranging from state convention attendance to Christmas carolling around South Boston, the Latin, French and Spanish clubs combined to sponsor Foreign Language Week in April. During the special week, members decorated the lobby show case, published newspapers in their foreign



Choral concert. Music director Robert Wall conducts the choir at a student assembly.

Comet conquerors. Latin club members Sandy Talbott and Lee Wilkinson represent their club and school in the annual Homecoming parade.

Cooking out. The VICA club stages its annual barbeque honoring club members as well as local businessmen who support their club.



languages and enjoyed a cookout.

Another class related organization was the Art Club. "About the biggest event of the Art Club was the exhibit in the Spring," said Mrs. Lissie McClam. All students had entries in the exhibit in the gym. They also entered drawings and paintings in the fair and participated in local art contests.

The second major reason for successful clubs was the newness of them. HERO, Hi-Y and Tri-Hi-Y, which were recently formed, became very interesting established organizations.

HERO (Home Economics Related Occupations) was a club based on sewing. "Twenty-six girls enrolled and we had twenty-six members who were very devoted," said Mrs. Mildred Yancy, the group's adviser.

Sewing crafts and clothes were among the major activities of HERO. They made pillows, place mats, all their garments in the Christmas parade, all the clothes worn at their Red & White Ball and the clothes modeled in their fashion show. Other activities were a booth at the fair, a Mother-Father Banquet, Home Economics Career Day open house, a float in the Homecoming Parade and National FHA/HERO week in the spring.

The Hi-Y and Tri-Hi-Y, YMCA organizations, had about 15 members and met every other week. Mrs. Thelma Crowder said there was a lot of interest in these clubs.

They went to the Model General Assembly, a workshop in leadership training. They had a car wash and were involved in working with the

blood mobile on its monthly visits. For fun, the group went swimming, roller skating and played ping-pong and pool.

A final reason for the success of clubs was enthusiastic advisers. Mr. Roger Jacqueline, adviser of the Medical Explorers had interesting and "different" meetings. Every other Monday night, the members met to listen to guest speakers or go on field trips in the community. These speakers included a druggist, mortician, doctor and a dentist. Once the club toured a local funeral home.

Snow-skiing trips the Medical Explorers took were their most exciting events. The group spent the night at a lodge in Boone, N.C. They also entered the state Olympics.

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Club blahs again

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Student researchers. Seniors Jay Camp and John Brandon find the library to be a good place to study and do research for the Hi-Y Club of which they are members.

Soft lights. Dancing is enjoyed by members of FHA and HERO and their guests at the annual Sweetheart Ball.



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Everyone enjoyed swimming, horseback riding, soccer and volleyball.

A second example was the National Honor Society, the most prestigious club a high school can have. "The most important thing we did this year was to install a tutoring program," Mr. Johnston, adviser, said. He reported it was successful and that students were helped by it.

This group was responsible for the show case honoring seniors and sponsored a senior scholarship.

Another club with an enthusiastic adviser was the Future Teachers of America (FTA). Mrs. Nancy Conner said there were 20-25 members who met at least once a month.

The members made a basket of food for a needy family at Thanksgiving and at Christmas they gave toys to needy children. They had an Easter egg hunt for the students at the Robin Rodgers school. Members served as teachers' aides at elementary schools for half a day.

The failure of clubs resulted mostly from a general lack of interest. Students did not come to meetings; therefore, teachers could not develop the club.

Miss Julia Tuck said, "There was not a County History Club because most of our members graduated last year and no one showed an interest in reviving it."

A second instance was the Pep Club. More than 100 people signed
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Award winners. DE participants who won honors at the DECA District XXII Convention are **(seated)** Sandra Easley, "Tee" Whitlow, John Scheirer, Judy Church, Wanda Bostick, **(standing)** Cassandra Wilborne, Aileen Harrison, Dianne Conner, Connie Hatcher and Debra Jackson, who was elected district vice-president.



Work area. The area behind the stadium is the site of float construction during Homecoming week as students prepare for Friday's parade and ballgame.

up to join. However, after one meeting, there was no more interest. There was no class to hold it together.

Additionally, the Youth for Christ fell apart as a result of lack of interest. They tried weekly meetings after school, but failed. People either were just not interested in after-school meetings or were not able to attend.

Agreeing, Coach Coleman Starnes said, "Since they did away with Club Day and most boys practiced sports after school, there could not be a Lettermen's Club." Mr. Waldo offered the same reason for not having a Chess Club.

So the decline of clubs continued. But where there was real interest, there was activity enjoyed by both students and faculty. Perhaps that is the way it should be.



Outta' Sight. Vicky Reeves and Charles Miller ride the Art Club float in the annual Homecoming parade.

Study time. In the last few minutes of the period Ricky Gregory reads his next day's assignment for Mrs. Conner's English.



Planning period. Teachers have homework too, so Mr. Leander Zook uses after-school time to work on records needed the next day.



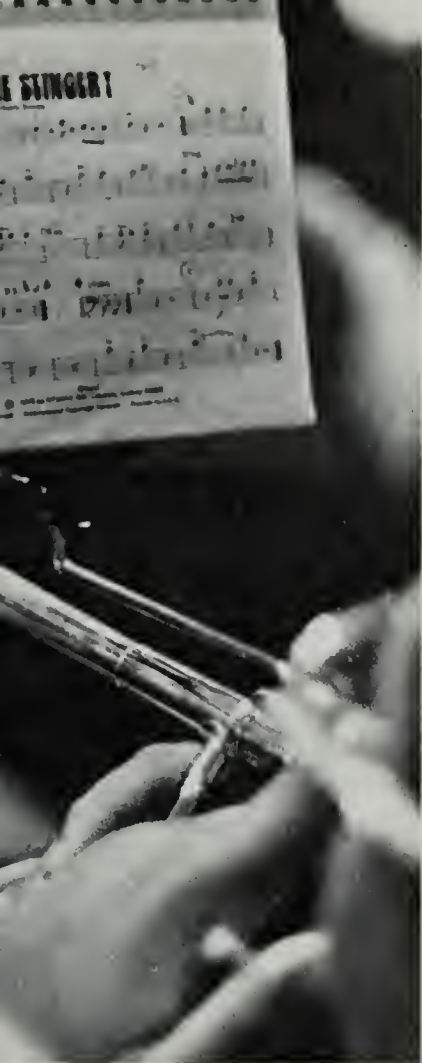
Classes! A whole 55 minutes long!
What did you do in them? Pay attention?
Learn? Take notes? Sleep? Read a book?
Eat? Daydream?
The thought of going to classes
really made some students moan and
groan. "Boring" was their only attitude.
Sound familiar?

CLASSROOM



Strong men. Jeff Pruitt, Bradford Coleman and Vernon McCraw tug their team to victory during a sophomore physical ed. class.





Mean horn player. A trombonist practices until he gets it right before performing his music in public.

Two faces of English. During an English class discussion on *The Canterbury Tales*, Cindy Miklos finds nothing to laugh about while Sam Chambers does.



GALLERY '75

Sleeping seemed the best escape. Reading *The Exorcist* or *Jaws* was another possible compensation, providing that the teacher did not catch you. Eating was mandatory for some students. (It was also mandatory that the food be kept out of sight of the teacher.) Sometimes it was just impossible to wait until lunch.



Funny line. Debra Harris enjoys a joke told by one of her classmates before the bell rings to begin the period.

Senatorial talk. In Mrs. Lynda Statnes's government class, Senator Howard Anderson answers questions about state government.

History project. Lisa Bowen puts the finishing touches on her model of the "S.S. Constitution," her project in Mr. Lawson's class. "Magister" magic. Mr. Gary Waynick aids junior Eugene Wyatt with a difficult Latin grammar assignment. Enrollment in Latin was up in 1975.



However, not all classes were always boring. In fact, some were actually tolerable. Others may have even been fun.

For instance, some classes invited guest speakers to add a little excitement to the hum-drum daily routine. Mr. Howard Anderson, the state senator, spoke to government classes.

CLASSROOM



Hot work. Students stay busy in the vocational building shop during a Metalwork I class welding a bead.

Journalism typist. One activity in journalism class is typing copy. Brenda Tuggle spends her class period typing yearbook material.





Outside work. Donnie Knowlson struggles at the news office as he designs the sports page for an upcoming "Star."

Bird's eye view. Spring brought open doors and strange classroom visitors. This pigeon strolled into geometry class and viewed the students from his perch above the board.



GALLERY '75

The French III and IV students made cookies and foods by recipes from France. Instead of the everyday rote of taking notes, many teachers showed films and slides. Sociology classes did projects dealing with the social aspects of society and life. They seemed to poll everyone in school about his opinions.



Serenity at high noon. Students enjoy eating in the outdoors as P.E. girls come in from playing golf during the warm days in May.

What a day! Joanne Perkins decides that a nap after lunch on the first day of school is easier to take than listening to a course outline.



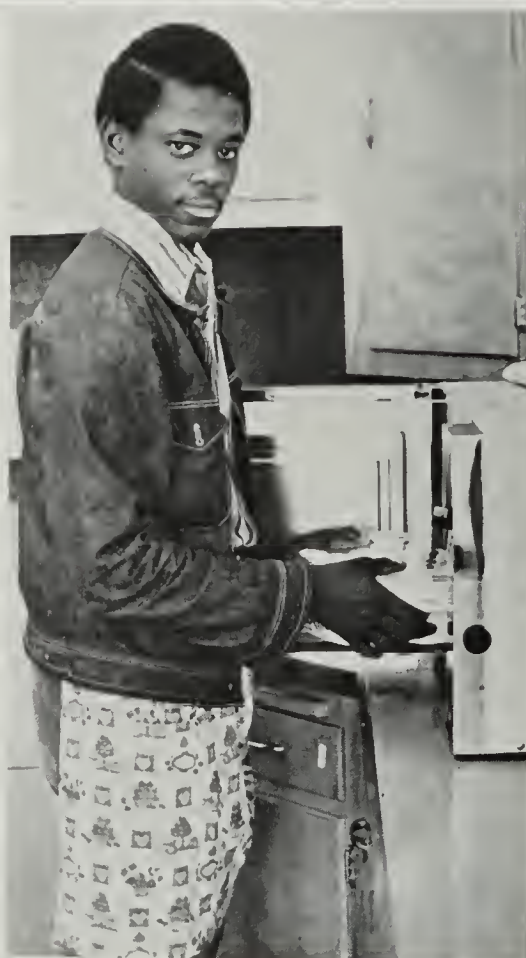
Drama class put on two plays. They also had weekly pantomimes and skits. Drama students learned to feel a sense of togetherness by the end of the school year because everybody in the two classes had become really close as they struggled to present the school's first musical in four years.

CLASSROOM



Spring play. Eugene Lee and Robert Canada team up to catch a ball during P.E. Softball is one of the class's spring sports.

Apron-clad Corkie. Cooking is one of the tasks faced by family living students like Corkie Womack.





The bookcase. The library is the biggest classroom of all, providing students with materials and articles necessary for projects and free reading.

Spaghetti art? A resident artist from the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts teaches selected art students the art of macramé.



GALLERY '75

Students taking art entered their works in the art exhibit in the spring. At Christmas each artist designed cards for teachers. Junior English students saw **Our Town** at the Virginia Museum Theatre.

So it was not all so tedious. Students learned to bear the notetaking and enjoy the fun and games.

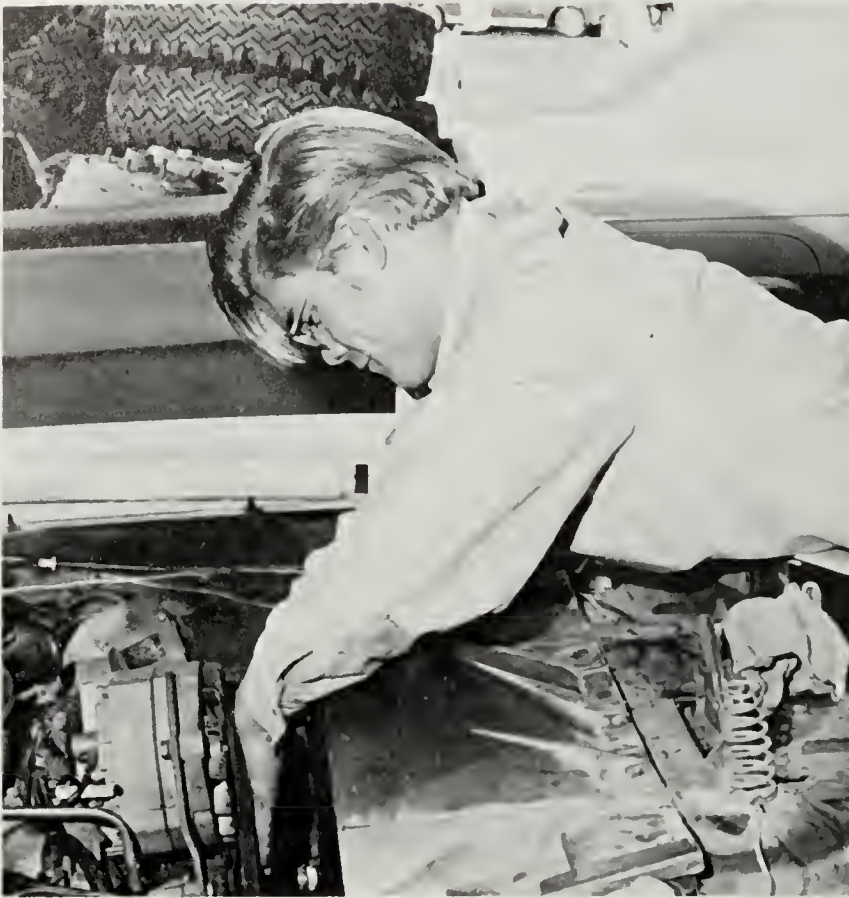


Time to play. Band class provides a change from the books to the instruments for students. Abbey Shealy plays a contrabass clarinet during advance band period.

Deep thought. Nina Davis concentrates on writing an essay on the real hero of "Julius Caesar" in Mr. Dunn's English class.

Slicing it up. Cutting meat is one of the jobs of Mike Watts, an ICT student employed at Watts Custom Meat Processing.

Grease monkey. Wayne Blanks is a part-time auto mechanic who is employed by Mac Ragan's Auto.



A step ahead

Bag boy, store clerk, waitress, beautician. Whatever the job, DE and ICT students gain experience that will be beneficial in later life. They learn the pros and cons of their jobs and of the business world. Part of their grade comes from evaluation of their work by their employer and another part comes from their class-work.

But DE and ICT both have their drawbacks. There are broken dates, long working weekends, unattended school events. There's the month-long hassle to juggle your work schedule so that you can come to the

prom. There's that sudden feeling of deflation when you realize that you've got to cancel the trip to that concert that you've waited months to see because nobody will work in your place and you absolutely cannot ask off . . . again.

But, to these working students, there has to be a reward for their efforts. Maybe it's the satisfaction and fulfillment of doing it well. Or maybe it's the sense of independence from earning your own money. Whatever the reasons, DE and ICT students are hard-working individuals who are already a step ahead in life.

Clothes check. Janet Waller straightens shirts in the Men's Department of Leggett, the store that employs a number of DE students.



Cashier. Finding the price of cabbage, Jeannie Throckmorton checks out a customer at Big Star on a busy Saturday.

Isn't that pretty? ICT students Melody Dunn and Carol Smoot learn the basics of cosmetology while practicing on a patron at Scientific Beauty School.

Sound is the word that best describes the band. It is this great sound that enabled them to win first place in the South Hill and Appomattox parades, second place in Vinton and a superior rating at the Band Festival at Radford.

Twenty-one of the band members who created this award-winning sound placed in All-Regional Band, with Scott Cassada making it all the way to All-State.

Music filled the auditorium as the band performed at school functions and at their annual Christmas and Spring concerts. The Spring Concert included selections which were directed by students Gloria Brown and Scott Cassada and a concertino for trumpet and band which featured Richard Hunt playing trumpet. The band also performed an original composition by Sarah Fuller.

But what about the other sounds of the band? Like the voice of Mr. Robert Wall, the band's director, prompting the band along as they learn another half-time show. "What kind of formation is that? It looks like a pregnant snake marching up the field! And people, your playing sounds like you all have emphysema! Drummers, another goof-up like that will cost you ten laps!" are just a few of the comments he has been heard to make.

Several distinctive sounds are apparent when a box drill isn't executed correctly. Quite noticeable is the metallic ring of clashing instruments when band members march head-long into each other, the screams of a tiny clarinet player who is being crushed between two sousaphones and groans of despair from Mr. Wall and drum majorette Anne Benassi.

With the stirring sound of a drum cadence, the band and drill corps begin a parade. The ranks are in perfect step and their feet hit the pavement with pounding rhythm. Later, as the parade is coming to an end, there is heard a scraping sound as the miles have reduced the spirited, high-stepping march to the South Boston shuffle.

But all of these sounds eventually lead back to the sound of music. Whether they are playing "William Tell Overture" or "The Horse," the band is making a sound that isn't soon forgotten.

Strike up the band!



Worthy walk. Band members march from the Halifax County courthouse to Riverdale to raise money to purchase new instruments.



Main St. steppers. -Leading the way, head majorette Sonja Martin and band members march in the Veterans' Day parade.



Sounds range from director's wails to a clarinetist's scream



Santa's helpers. The band displays its marching skills as it performs in the South Boston Christmas parade.



Making music. David Pulliam, David Dixon, John Bradbury and other members of the Pep Band play during halftime at the last home basketball game of the season.



Spring sounds. Band members perform at the annual May Day program before the student body. Selections ranged from marches to pop tunes.



Christmas spirit. The band marches proudly down Main Street in South Boston at the Christmas parade watched by 25,000 people.

PUBLICATIONS



Will it fit? Arthur Murray, "Star" news editor, boasts a grin of accomplishment as he completes his front-page layout.



Picture cropping. To fit photos to layouts, Joseph Gwathney measures the space on the page before adjusting the proportion wheel.



"Galaxy" gal. Typing copy for the literary magazine keeps Bonita Oakley busy during her study hall.

The 'Star': three-year photographer Robert Overstreet comments

Staff: Do you think that the majority of the students read and enjoy the "Star"?

Robert: Although the sales record does not show it, I think so because the "Star" has continued to be published for 22 years, and it has something to interest everyone.

Staff: How much work is involved in the production of the "Star"?

Robert: I don't think anyone realizes how much work actually goes into the "Star." They think that the staff just maps a few pictures, writes a few words and sells it.

Staff: What advice can you give to future "Star" staff members?

Robert: Take pride in your work and do the best you can.

'Haliscope': 1976 editor Lisa Carden reports

Staff: What is your opinion of the 1975 "Haliscope"?

Lisa: I think it's a good book mainly because Charles thought of a new and different theme and layout. The similarity to an operator's manual will cause the students to read the copy more closely.

Staff: What ideas do you have for next year's "Haliscope"?

Lisa: I've been thinking about it for a good while. I've been keeping an eye on what's happening around school and attempting to put it all together into one main idea.

Staff: During the summer, what type of "Haliscope" work did you do?

Lisa: Most of my time was spent working with page layouts, writing captions and selecting pictures.

'Galaxy': design editor Donna Talbott observes

Staff: How do you feel about having a local newspaper staff print the literary magazine?

Donna: It enables the staff to do more of the work themselves. I thought the printing was fine and it looked good; however, the staff should have been more informed on what procedures to follow.

Staff: Was the book a success?

Donna: Yes, I think so. We put a lot of work into it and it turned out very well, considering how rushed we were.

Staff: What do future plans for the "Galaxy" include?

Donna: The magazine will improve a lot because the staff is bigger, there is more interest and we are starting earlier.



Tough job. Every other Thursday afternoon found "Star" editor Caroline Harrell hard at work preparing for the next newspaper.



The man. After serving as reporter for two years, Charles Fuller is happy to know that he has been chosen as yearbook editor.



A,B,C,D... Mercedes DeShazo, Jenny Jones and Wendy Sparks are busy during journalism alphabetizing senior statistical forms.

It's here! "Galaxy" editor Becky Riddle smiles with delight when she discovers that the literary magazine has arrived on time.



Personnel

Instructions on how to remember people

- Choose carefully the people to remember; some are better forgotten.
- Remember their car: color, make, model, angle and bruises.
- What about clothes? Formal, neat, casual, worn, week-ender, ventilated or stalker.
- Were they a clam, wallflower, introvert, one-liner, conversationalist, motor mouth, extrovert or exhibitionist?
- If all else fails, consult your yearbook.





Leisurely lunchtime. After their lunch, students often spend the remaining few minutes of the period on the front lawn being with friends.

Program planners. Assembly chairman Rick Farrell consults with SCA president Stan Yeatts on the order of events for the Christmas assembly.



Fans of girls' basketball and the camera.



Kevin Parton



Juliet Jennings



Carl Pannell

It is a problem

By Helen Russell

The time is 1974-1975. The place is South Boston. The scene is an integrated high school with a few shattered windows and many dissident black and white students.

The air is filled with tension as students actively show their resentment to integrated busing. Attendance drops drastically as they refuse to go to classes;



Jesse Spencer, Glenn Loftis, Andy Loftis,
Barbara Lacks, Timothy Wilmouth, Sharon Lacks

fight erupts when the two races are forced to be with each other; and rallies turn into riots as the students become temporary allies against those officials who try to compel the people to accept the issue. The turbulence is hot enough to make the headlines of major national newspapers and TV newscasts for several weeks.

In another small locale bearing the same name, there's also an integrated high school. This South Boston school has also suffered a few broken windows during the 1974-1975 school year, but there have been no riots. But how about the relationship of the black and white students here? Does Halifax County Senior High have a more subtle racial problem

than does the school in South Boston, Massachusetts?

"True, true . . . definitely true. There is a racial problem here."

"No, we have no problems."

"It's true during assemblies."

"We do have a racial problem; the problem is not as riotous as is their's in the Massachusetts South Boston, but it is a problem."

According to both students and teachers alike, the school does have racial feelings. At assemblies, in sports and on the buses were the main problem areas cited. But if there are no riots, how is the problem evident?

"The whites on one side, the blacks on the other side . . . and ne'er the twain shall meet," parodied Mrs. Pam Latt, an English teacher. "The assemblies are an excellent example of the statement 'desegregated but not integrated.' And the Number 1 example of the assemblies is the

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'The assemblies are an example of desegregated but not integrated.'

Betty Johnston and Lisa Carden
Awards Assembly audience.



Diane Williamson



Barbara Britton and Brenda Tune



Charles Miller

It is a problem

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talent show."

The seating of the students at assemblies is very conspicuous. One parent who attended an assembly remarked, "There was a very visible 'line of demarcation;' and the audience was even racial in their applause. The blacks applauded their racial performers and the whites applauded their racial performers."

The situation could have been



Beverly Betts and Regina Morton

worse though. One year members of the audience booed performers of the opposite race so badly that some actors and singers vowed never to participate in a school talent show again.

Ms. Angela Balmori, a student teacher of government, commented, "I don't think there's a real racial problem. I mean, there's no tension in the halls here or in the classes I've had. The only place I've noticed any problem is during the assemblies; and during one particular assembly, the stage seemed to be 'split'."

Students offered their reasons for the seating of themselves at assemblies. Sophomore Cindy

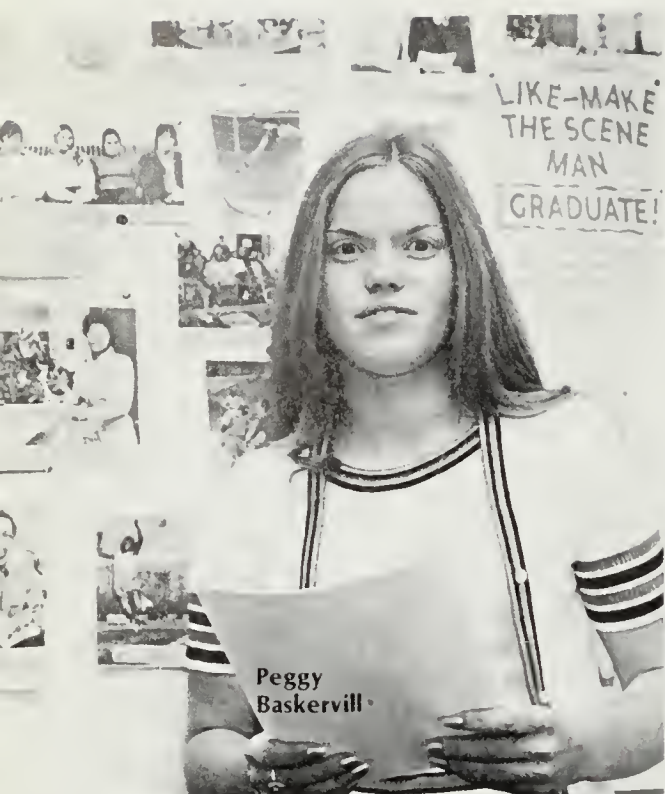
Breedlove believed "we're naturally grouped together," and Jill Lacy felt that "it just happens; not from habit maybe, but it does just seem to happen."

Student Council secretary Sharon Graves mentioned that assemblies were not the only places where racial prejudices were evident. "Finding a band to satisfy both the blacks and the whites at school dances is a very big problem. Many arguments have arisen and one 'hot' SCA meeting concerned only that. Nothing else could be taken up at the meeting. One solution to the controversy was getting a disc jockey for the Topsy Turvey dance instead of a band." The senior added, "I don't think it's the music of the black or white band that is causing the disagreement. I think the skin color has more to do with it."

Peer pressure was brought out as one reason for a racial problem.

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'Finding a band to satisfy both blacks and whites is a big problem.'



Peggy Baskervill

Mary Brandon, Janice Brandon, Barbara Brandon



Michael Bomar, Betty Davis and Erline Carden



Toni Ross



Penny Banks



Mrs. Nancy Barden

Continued It is a problem

Senior Miles Mitchell stated, "Peer pressure really inhibits a lot of students. In one way, the students want to get along with people of the other race; but their fears of what their peers will say scares them." Sharon Graves added, "Most people think the only people who can be pre-



Awards Assembly audience.



Mr. Bill Akers and Carol Young



Coach Bob Thalman, C. T. Talley and Coach Coleman Starnes

judiced are whites, but blacks are just as prejudiced and a lot of it's because of pressure from each race's peers."

David Lee Francis, a sophomore, believed that there was hope for the future. "We have a problem now because we went to school for five years segregated. Classes in the future will not have the same problem because they started off together in first grade."

Janet Jordan and Lee Anne Guthrie added their comments, "They've mixed us, but they didn't melt us," and "We're together, but not altogether," respectively.

Mercedes DeShazo offered a somewhat different light to the subject. She stated, "I do think we're integrated to a certain degree. We go to school together, classes together and assemblies together; but then we split up. It may not be because of a racial problem, but simply that the people are following their friends. And they naturally have more friends of their own race. Also you have different cultures in the races and these differences can sometimes lead to conflicts such as in music." Mercedes ended with, "The kids will solve the problem themselves, not any bunch of old adults."

Sophomore Sharon McCargo said, "Since the integration of schools, I've not only made more friends,

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'Peer pressure really inhibits a lot of students.'



Starting the long trek home.

Mark Dixon, Cindi Mills and Mike Huckaby



Dennis
Osborne

Leslie
Letnam



Deborah Morgan, Beth
Caldwell, Brenda Hunter
and Wanda McDowell.

Continued It is a problem

but also, by hanging out with my white friends, I've discovered my vocabulary has grown."

Senior Sam Brown, however, said, "I think it's a poor situation. The blacks and whites don't want to get together and forcing them to get together is not the answer."

Integration on buses is a question. Most students felt that students on buses segregated themselves. Vickie Saunders commented, "I ride a bus that is 'self-segregated.' I don't think it's



Before first period.

really a great racial problem. Even though the blacks and whites don't sit together or eat together, we do talk and get along. It's definitely not as bad a situation here as it is at other schools."

Sports have had their troubles according to a few athletes while others disagreed. "We have been going to Camp Pickett together for football camp ever since the school was integrated and we have never had real problems," one athlete said. "The problem is not as much racial in sports, though, as it is 'favorite pets'," said another player. Cross-country man Frank

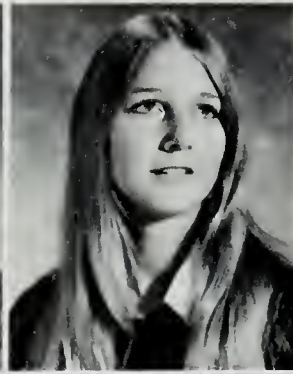
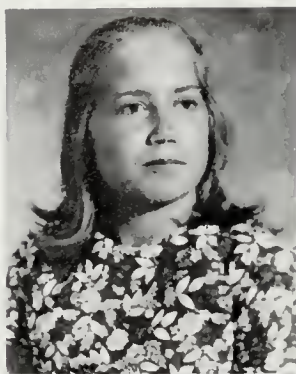
Lutz commented, "I don't think there's any problem on the team. We kid around with each other but that's all it is, just joking and kidding around."

There is probably no real answer to the question "Desegregated but not integrated?" at Halifax County Senior High. But if the tension is unknown except for during assemblies, the students are doing fairly well in their relations with their fellow students. After all, when one of the "stage couples" in the spring musical turned out to be played by a black student and a white student, no one seemed to notice.

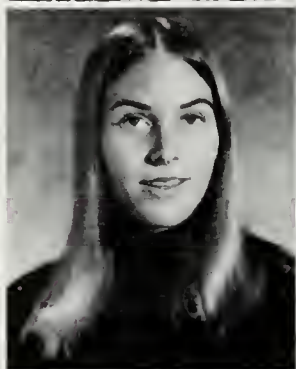
Perhaps some of the Northern South Boston students and patrons should come and visit the Southern South Boston high school. They could learn something from their Southern cousins about integration.

'Massachusetts could learn from Virginia about integration.'

Brenda Adams
Gary Adams
Janice Kay Akers
Byron Alford
Dianna Bowman Allen



Susan Elizabeth Allen
Janet Leigh Ambrose
Amy Anderson
Christine Anderson
Debbie Anderson



Emma Sharon Anderson
Gayle Anderson
Susan Anderson



Successful campaign for a black lady

Banks wins first black female presidency

Class elections revealed new leaders for the senior class. The job of secretary was a coveted position for there were four candidates running for it, including two, Helen Russell and Teresa Fallen, who petitioned in for the office.

From the election there also emerged a first. Never before had the senior class been led by a black, female president. However, sex nor race hindered Penny Banks and her fellow officers in leading their class.

The first semester provided few

opportunities for the class heads to prove their leadership ability, but second semester was different. Working with the leadership of their officers, the senior class undertook projects and were rewarded with successful results.

These six officers met often with the administration to plan various senior activities such as Class Day and, of course, graduation. They also pleaded for senior privileges and later became the happy recipients of them during the last six weeks of school.





Lovely decorations. Karen Ballou, like most fashion-minded students, wears a decorated tee shirt, a big fad in the fall.

Edith Hall Andrews
David Avery



Solemn seniors. Class officers are (seated) Livinia Jennings, secretary; Penny Banks, president; Susan Fulp, reporter; (standing) Carl Pannell, veep; Charlie Davis, treasurer and Arthur Murray, sergeant-at-arms.

Brenda Lee Adams: Youth for Christ.
Gary Levon Adams: Bus Drivers.
Janice Kay Akers: Pep Club.
Dianna Bowman Allen: Chess, Dragsters and Safety Club, FBLA.
Susan Elizabeth Allen: GAA, Medical Careers, Drama, Spanish Club, Comettes, Tennis Team, I Act Play, Spring Production.
Janet Leigh Ambrose: National Honor Society, French Club, Pep Club, Comettes, Homeroom Officer.
Amy Lou Anderson: Pep Club, Comette.
Christine Anderson: Arts and Crafts, Modern Dance Club.
Debbie Eanes Anderson: VICA.
Emma Sharon Anderson: Pep Club, SCA Rep-

resentative, FHA.
Gayle Alice Anderson: Pep Club, DECA.
Edith Hall Andrews: Pep Club.
Archie Lee Bailey: FFA.
David Ross Avery: Star, Chess, SCA Representative, Letterman Homeroom President, Track.
William Henry Bailey: Dragsters and Safety Club, Pep Club.
Sharon Kay Baker: Pep Club.
Freda Mae Ballou: Galaxy.
Karen Rene Ballou: Junior Class President, Pep Club, SCA Representative, VICA, Junior Marshal, Chairman of SCA Dance Committee, Medical Explorers, Comettes, Flag Corps, VICA, Homecoming Representative.



Archie Bailey
Sharon Kay Baker



William Bailey
Freda Ballou



Sharon Baker
Karen Ballou



Tears and graduation

They knew she cared

Tears streamed down the cheeks of Penny Banks on graduation night and why not. She was leaving the school and the people she loved.

Ask anyone who knows her and they'll tell you she's interested in people and gets along well with them. That trait is probably why the senior class elected her to be their president; they knew she cared.

Her "caring" also carried over into her before school job of nurse's aide at a local hospital.

"I love this school and the people," Penny said, "especially when I compare my experiences here with those in Newark. You can trust the people here but there you could not tell who your friends were."

Penny was born in Halifax County but moved to New Jersey when she was six. She lived there for seven years but moved back to South Boston after her mother died because "my father thought he could raise us better down here since most of our relatives are in this area."

Although Penny loves people, her "most favorite thing" is basketball. "I love anything that has to do with the game and I count myself lucky that my school had such a great team all three years I was here."



Jean Marie Bane
Shirley Barksdale
Beverly Bell
Garland Blanks
Stanley Bliss

Penny Banks
David Barley
Rebecca Beverly
Larry Wade Blanks
Wanda Bostick

Shirley Jean Banks
Peggy Baskervill
George R. Billingslea
Mike Blanks
Gregory Bouldin

Jesse Barksdale
Rickey Dean Bass
Victoria Black
James Bliss
Ottis Bowen, III



Class leaders. President Penny Banks and vice-president Carl Pannell read the "Who's Who" at the Class Day Assembly.

Jean Marie Bane: Star, Spanish Club, Haliscope. **Sheila Marietta Banks:** Senior Class President, Pep Club, SCA Representative, Shutterbug Club, VICA Parliamentarian, Homeroom President, Basketball. **Shirley Jean Banks:** Pep Club, FBLA, Modern Dance Club, Volleyball, Track Team Manager. **Jesse Willard Barksdale, Jr.:** Boys' Physical Fitness, Dragsters and Safety Club, Industrial Arts, VICA. **Shirley Marie Barksdale:** SCA Representative, Pep Club, Spanish Club, Drama, Shutterbug Club. **Margaret Elizabeth Baskervill:** National Honor Society Secretary; Spanish Honor Society, SCA Reporter, Current Events Secretary-Treasurer; JV and Varsity Cheerleading, Captain. **Rickey Dean Bass:** Chess; Golf Team, Youth for Christ Vice-President; SCA Representative; Homeroom Officer. **Beverly Ann Bell:** Pep Club; Band; French Club; Drama. **Nancy Rebecca Beverly:** National Honor Society; Latin, Spanish Club, Homeroom President. **George Ray Billingslea:** Dragsters and Safety Club; Boys' Physical Fitness; JV Football. **Victoria Jean Black:** Pep Club, SCA Representative. **Larry Wade Blanks:** Chess, VICA, County History, Science Club. **Michael Anthony Blanks:** Galaxy, VICA. **James Alvin Bliss:** Arts and Crafts, Industrial Arts. **Stanley**

Morgan Bliss: Star, Drama, Medical Careers, Homeroom Officer. **Wanda Marie Bostick:** Star, Pep Club, DECA, SCA Representative, JV Cheerleading. **Gregory Lewis Boul-din:** Pep Club Treasurer, Track, Football. **Otis Lee Bowen:** Dragsters and Safety Club. **James Reginald Bowman:** Boys' Physical Fitness. **Cythia Dianne Boxley:** Pep Club, FHA. **Delores Marjorie Boxley:** Pep Club, Band, Bus Drivers, SCA Representative, Homeroom Officer. **Iris Annette Boxley:** Pep Club, FHA, Track, Gymnastics. **Deborah Jane Boyd:** FHA, International Culture. **Joyce Marie Boyd:** Pep Club, FHA. **Mary Helen Boyd:** Arts and Crafts, Pep Club, International Culture, Girls' Track Team. **Deborah Jean Bradley:** Pep Club, Spanish Club. **William Richard Bradley:** Dragsters and Safety Club. **Dorothy Ann Brame:** Pep Club, FHA, Drama, Industrial Arts. **Berrie Leon Brandon:** Boys' Physical Fitness, Dragsters and Safety Club, Pep Club, Library Assistant, Bus Drivers, County History, Drama, Industrial Arts. **Delois Marie Brandon:** National Honor Society. **John Edward Brandon:** Youth for Christ, Drama, Letterman, Hi-Y, Homeroom Officer, Varsity Football, Medical Explorers. **Mary Elizabeth Brandon:** Galaxy, Dragsters and Safety Club, Medical Careers, Pep Club, Drama, Glee Club, Modern Dance Club.



James Bowman
Cythia Boxley
Delores Boxley
Iris Boxley
Deborah Boyd

Joyce Boyd
Mary Boyd
Deborah Bradley
William Richard Bradley
Dorothy Brame

Berrie Brandon
Daniel Brandon
Delois Marie Brandon
John Brandon
Mary Brandon

Top scores for three

Merit honors won

Lee Owen, Charles Fuller and Steve Farmer were Merit Program Semi-Finalists. They were chosen by the scores they made on the PSAT-NMSQT tests taken as juniors.

This was only the second time in the history of the school that three students have been named semi-finalists in the same year.

All three later become finalists and Charles continued on to receive a National Merit Scholarship.

Three other students were commended for their scores although they were not considered semi-finalists. They were Sue Myers, Rebecca Beverly and Byron Alford.

Outstanding black semi-finalist was Juliet Jennings. Commended Negro Students in NMSQT were Gloria Brown, Samuel Chambers, Deborah Johnson, Carl Pannell and Fannie Simon.

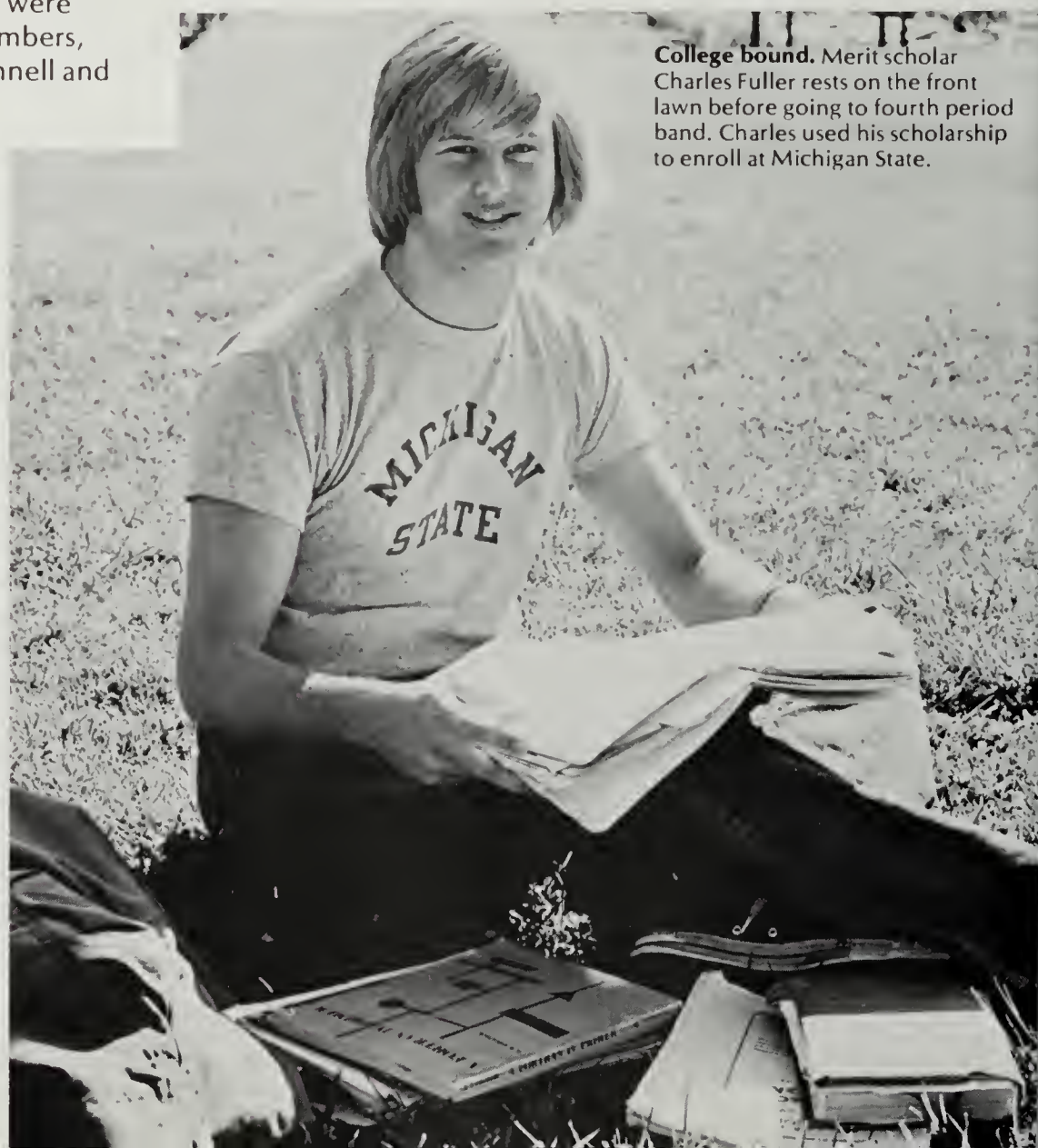
Barbara Annette Britton: Medical Careers, Pep Club, SCA Representative. **Eric Wendell Brooks:** Arts and Crafts, Boys' Physical Fitness, Pep Club, Audio Visual, DECA. **Roxie Delores Brooks:** SCA Representative, French Club, Modern Dance Club. **Morgan Dwight Brown:** Arts and Crafts, Boys' Physical Fitness, Pep Club, Dragsters and Safety Club, Bus Drivers, Industrial Arts. **Gloria Jean Brown:** Pep Club, Spanish Club, Band Vice-President, Modern Music Masters, Glee Club, All Regional Symphonic Band, All Regional Concert Band. **Patricia Ann Brown:** Pep Club. **Shirley Lorraine Brown:** DECA. **Terry L. Brown:** Chess, SCA Representative. **Darlene Denise Bruce:** Shutterbug Club, Drama. **Leslie Yeaman Burgess:** Dragsters and Safety Club, HERO President, FHA Secretary, SCA Representative, FHA State Representative. **Hazel LaVerne Burrell:** Pep Club, FHA. **Jane Elizabeth Caldwell:** Latin Club, Medical Careers Treasurer, Haliscope, Drama Club, Homeroom President, Medical Explorers. **Jason Harold Camp:** Spanish Club, SCA Representative, Hi-Y, Homeroom Officer, Medical Explorers Club, JV Football, Varsity Football.

Harry Lewis Canada: Pep Club. **Willie Hubbard Canada:** Dragsters and Safety Club. **Calvin Owen Carden:** Dragsters and Safety Club, Pep Club, Bus Driver. **Erlene Havanna Carden:** Arts and Crafts, Pep Club. **Mary Ann Carr:** Pep Club. **Sarah Winston Carrington:** County History Club. **Willie Patrick Carrington:** JV Basketball Manager, Varsity Basketball Manager. **Douglas Scott Cassada:** French Club, Band, Modern Music Masters, Chess, Choir President, Band President, All-Regional Band, All-Regional Choir, All-Virginia Band. **Samuel Harold Chambers:** Pep Club, Sophomore Class President, Junior Class Officer, French Club, SCA Representative, Drama Club, JV Basketball, Homeroom Officer. **Mark Lee Chandler:** Pep Club. **Sam Edward Chandler, Jr.:** National Honor Society, Star, Chess Club, Treasurer of French Club, Pep Club, Science Club, Haliscope, SCA Representative, Homeroom Officer, Junior Marshal. **Billy Wayne Chappell:** Pep Club, Track. **Doris Anne Chappell:** GAA, Track. **Betty Jean Cheek:** Pep Club. **Judy Elaine Church:** GAA, Treasurer of DECA, FHA, Homeroom Officer, Future Nurses Club President. **Wayne Eugene Clairborne:** Letterman, Varsity Football, Track.



Barbara Britton
Roxie Brooks

Eric Brooks
Dwight Brown



College bound. Merit scholar Charles Fuller rests on the front lawn before going to fourth period band. Charles used his scholarship to enroll at Michigan State.



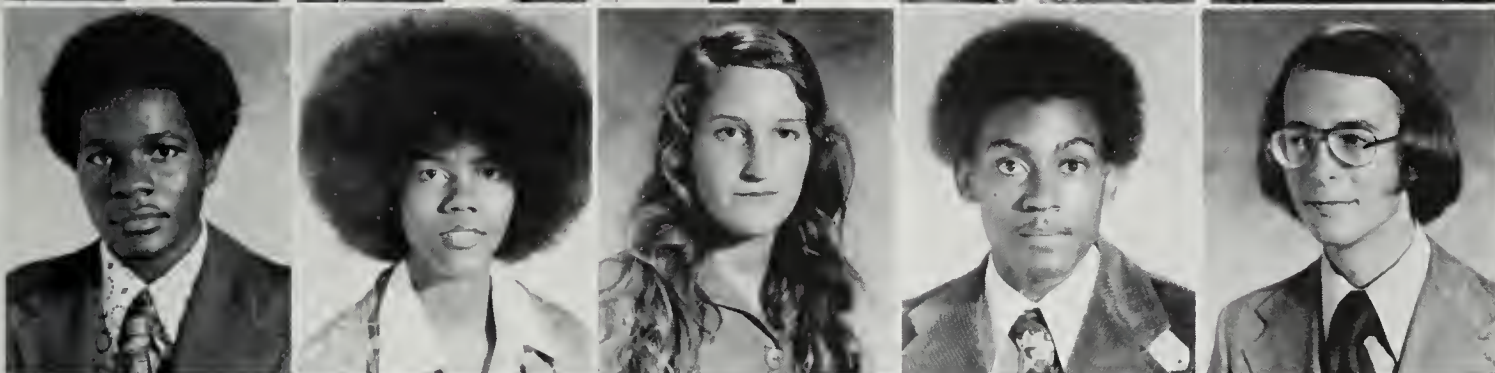
Gloria Brown
Patricia Brown
Shirley Brown
Terry Brown
Darlene Bruce



Leslie Burgess
Lee Burkholder
Hazel Burrell
Beth Caldwell
Jay Camp



Charles Canada
Harry Canada
Willie Canada
Calvin Carden
Erlene Carden



Dennis Carr
Mary Ann Carr
Sarah Carrington
Willie Carrington
Scott Cassada



Sam Chambers
Mark Chandler
Sam Chandler
Billy Chappell
Debra Chappel



Doris Chappell
Betty Cheek
Judy Church
Mary Lynn Church
Wayne Claiborne

Deborah Clark
James E. Clark, Jr.
John Lindsey Clark



Timothy Clark
Shirley Clay
Terry Cline



Joyce Coates
Daniel Cole, Jr.
Robert Cole



Class pops buttons

Symbols became fad

Shirts, pocketbooks, trousers and even shoes belonging to seniors were decorated with "Class of '75" buttons. These popular buttons were worn by nearly every senior as an effort to display their ever-mounting class spirit.

Selling for 50 cents, these class symbols sold like hot cakes during lunch time. It almost became a new fad. Although underclassmen may have sneered at the buttons, seniors regarded them with sheer delight. Actually, the buttons could be described as the small spark that set fire to the forest of senior class spirit.



Senior publicity. Pocketbooks adorned with a Class of '75 button showed up everywhere from the classroom to the front lawn.

Debroah Lee Clark: Galaxy, Dragsters Club. **James Edward Clark, Jr.:** Pep Club, Spanish Club, VICA, Homeroom Officer. **John Lindsey Clark:** Boys' Physical Fitness, Current Events, Pep Club, DECA, SCA Representative. **Timothy Michael Clark:** Latin Club, Spanish Club, Youth for Christ, Drama Club, SCA Representative. **Shirley Anita Clay:** Pep Club, FHA. **Daniel Davis Cole, Jr.:** Dragsters and Safety Club, FHA. **Aline Coleman:** HERO, Modern Dance Club, SCA Representative. **Alonzo Billey Coleman:** Arts and Crafts, Pep Club. **Deborah Anne Coleman:** Youth for Christ, Library Assistant, DECA, FHA, Glee Club. **Helen Earnestine Coleman:** Library Assistant, Modern Dance Club. **Leonia Marietta Coleman:** Pep Club, DECA, Homeroom Officer. **Vattell Junior Coleman:** Dragsters and Safety Club, Pep Club, Band, Bus Drivers. **Carrie Gail Collie:** GAA, Science Club, Spanish Club, SCA Representative, VICA, JV Cheerleader Co-Captain. **Deborah Mae Comer:** Dragsters and Safety Club, Pep Club. **John Kevin Comer:** Boys' Physical Fitness, Dragsters and Safety Club, Industrial Arts, FFA.

Anthony Karl Conner: Pep Club, Arts and Crafts, Industrial Arts, Bus Drivers, Dragsters Club. **David Dean Conner:** Dragsters and Safety Club, Science Club, Spanish Club, DECA, SCA Representative. **Dianne Marie Conner:** Dragsters and Safety Club, DECA, Galaxy. **Melvin Wayne Conner:** Spanish Club, Dragsters Club, JV Football. **Sharon Kay Cranford:** VICA. **David Stebbins Creath:** Youth for Christ, Chess, Hi-Y, Homeroom Officer, Varsity Football. **Cynthia Denise Crews:** French Club, Pep Club, Science Club, Drama Club, SCA Representative. **Keith Onar Crews:** Pep Club, SCA Representative. **Karol Elisha Curtis:** Pep Club. **Betty Jane Davis:** DECA, DECA District Contest, Dragsters Club. **Charlie William Davis:** National Honor Society, SCA Sergeant-at-Arms, SCA Representative, Homeroom President, Drama, Bus Drivers, Sr. Class Treasurer, Pep Club, Arts and Crafts. **Clinton Eugene Davis:** Current Events, Bus Driver, Letterman, Football, Indoor and Outdoor Track. **Deborah Arnita Davis:** Modern Dance Club. **John Thomas Davis:** Industrial Arts, VICA Vice-President.



Aline Coleman
Alonzo Coleman
Cecil Coleman
Deborah Coleman
Helen Coleman



Leonia Coleman
Vattell Coleman
Larry Coles
Gail Collie
Mattie Collins



Deborah Comer
Kevin Comer
Anthony Conner
David Conner
Dianne Conner



Jimbo Conner
Phyllis Covington
Sharon Cranford
David Creath
Cynthia Crews



Johnnie Crews
Keith Crews
Karol Curtis
Audrey Davis
Betty Davis



Betty Jane Davis
Charlie Davis
Clinton Davis
Deborah Davis
John Davis

Top rank musician

Music is his life

Seventeen-year-old senior Scott Cassada seeks a career in music. According to Scott, music is his life.

Scott succeeded in obtaining a number of honors for his musical expertness. Playing the bassoon, he has held the first chair in the District 6 symphonic band for three years and also held the first chair in the All-Virginia Band this year.

Being very versatile in his musical abilities, Scott also played the tuba in the school band and sang tenor in the concert choir. In addition to this, he sings with the Community Chorale, a local choir.

Scott was devoted to music even at an early age. "Gradually all my interests were directed toward music. I am first to admit that this is not necessarily good; it limits me. Most of my extra time, if not practicing music or listening to records, is spent reading about music," he commented.

Although most people regard Scott as simply a very talented young musician, he bases his accomplishments not on "talent" but on hard work.

The greatest personal satisfaction Scott derives from music is shared with others. He said, "I think the biggest thrill is when I am playing with an exceptionally good group and we give a performance we are proud of."



Charlotte Elaine Dawson
Nick DeCarmen
Earl T. Dixon
Melody Dunn
Linda Perrel Edmonds

Clarence Dawson
Kathy DeJarnette
Paulette Drumwright
Anne Edmunds
Donna Elliott

Debra Dawson
Mercedes DeShazo
Brenda Dunaway
Bertha Edmunds
Linda Elliott

Diana Dean
Earl C. Dixon
Ellen Short Dunaway
Carlton Edmonds
L. F. Elliott



Music lover. Playing the bassoon well earned Scott Cassada first chair in the All-Virginia Band.

Charlotte Elaine Dawson: GAA, FHA, Science Club, Modern Dance, Band.
Clarence William Dawson: VICA.
Debra Lee Dawson: Pep Club. **Diana Lee Dean:** Science Club, VICA, Spanish Club. **Nicholas John DeCarman:** Latin Club, Vice-President, Medical Careers, Homeroom Officer, Wrestling. **Kathy Roberts DeJarnette:** Star, GAA, Spanish Club, Haliscope, SCA Representative. **Mercedes Oteen DeShazo:** Star, Galaxy, Pep Club, Spanish Club, Library Assistant, FHA, Haliscope, SCA Representative, Homeroom Officer, Concert Choir, Varsity Cheerleader. **Earl Charles Dixon:** Bus Driver, Dragsters and Safety Club, FFA Club, Chess Club. **Paulette Bernice Drumwright:** Pep Club. **Brenda Starr Dunaway:** FHA. **Ellen Short Dunaway:** FHA Vice-President. **Melody Ann Dunn:** FHA, VICA, Pep Club, Dragsters and Safety. **Anne Winston Edmunds:** Spanish Club, Homeroom Officer, Haliscope, Star, SCA Representative, Latin Club Secretary, Sophomore Treasurer, Pep Club. **Bertha Easley Edmunds:** Pep Club, SCA Representative, Drama Club, Star, Haliscope, Junior Secretary. **Linda Perrell Edmonds:** Pep Club, SCA Representative, Shutterbug Club President. **Donna Jane Elliot:** Bus Driver, Dragsters and Safety Club, SCA Representative, Homeroom Officer.

Lewis Frazier Elliot: Chess Club, Spanish Club, Letterman, Varsity Baseball, Varsity Basketball, Varsity Track. **Barbara Jean Emory:** GAA Club, Flag Corps, Comettes, Science Club, Gymnastics. **David Wyse Epps:** Dragsters and Safety Club. **Jackie Lynn Epps:** Galaxy, Pep Club. **Mabel Elizabeth Epps:** Galaxy, Dragsters and Safety Club, Homeroom President. **Martha Owen Epps:** French Club, Pep Club, Spanish Club, Library Assistant, Band, Audio-Visual, Glee Club, SCA Representative, Tennis, Basketball. **Otis Thompson Epps:** Boys' Physical Fitness Club, Dragsters and Safety Club. **Amy Christine Fallen:** Current Events, GAA, Pep Club, Modern Dance, SCA Representative, Gymnastics. **Teresa Paige Fallen:** Star, Galaxy, Haliscope, SCA Representative, FTA, Drama, JV Cheerleader. **Steven Patrick Farmer:** National Honor Society, Chess, French Club, Letterman, Varsity Football. **Alfred Morgan Faulkner:** Dragsters Club, Pep Club, Bus Driver, SCA Representative. **Leonard Leon Faulkner:** Spanish Club, Bus Driver, Letterman, Varsity Football, Outdoor Track, Indoor Track. **Elizabeth Jeffress Felton:** National Honor Society, Sophomore Reporter, Spanish Club Treasurer, Latin Club, Library Assistant. **Charlie Wayne Ferguson:** Pep Club, Science Club, FFA.



Barbara Emory
David Epps
Elizabeth Epps
Jackie Epps
Martha Epps

Otis Epps
Amy Fallen
Teresa Fallen
Steve Farmer
Rick Farrell

Alfred Faulkner
Leonard Faulkner
Betty Jeff Felton
Dorothy Featherston
Charlie Ferguson

Spencer Ferguson
Sally Ferrell
Charles Fisher



Nancy Fisher
Jane Ford
Kenneth Ford



Carl Forlines
Sue Forloines
Juanita Forrest



Leroy Foster
Cheryl Foy
Dinah Francis



Donna Francis
Wanda Francis
Sherman Freeman



Charles Fuller
Jacqueline Fuller
Susan Fulp



No bird, no plane

It's Super Comet

Mascots run in various sizes. The mighty Blue Comet basketball team had a superhuman mascot.

While attending school on an ordinary day, Everett Nichols was just a simple senior roaming the halls. When the Comets came out to play, however, he was transformed into Super Comet.

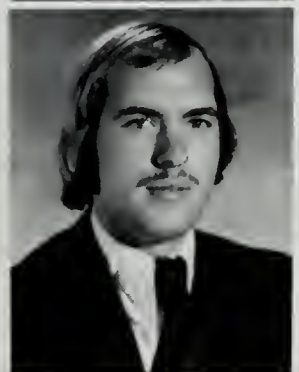
His rather odd costume consisted of baseball pants, Super Comet tee shirt, gym socks, gym shorts, tennis shoes, baseball hat and, of course, a baby blue cape inscribed with "S.C." Commenting on his outfit, Everett said, "My uniform had to endure the heat and speed when I traveled through sonic spheres between Earth I and Moon VIII."

Every game Everett got into line with the cheerleaders and yelled cheers into the orange University of Virginia megaphone. Super Comet explained, "It said University of Virginia because that's where the state championship is held."

Coming through the hoop behind the basketball players and picking up Coach Lloyd's daughter (another mascot) were Everett's favorite parts of being Super Comet. Also, he pointed out, "People made fun. It gave them something to talk about. There were lots of wise cracks thrown at the outfit and Super Comet in general."

Super Comet's least favorite job was, "getting my left shoe tied because I'm right handed and getting the baby pins stuck in my shirt to hold up my cape."

"Playing Super Comet at the home games was fun," Everett admits, "but there's one thing people should remember. I wasn't really Super Comet because the real Super Comet was the basketball team."



Victor Spencer Ferguson, Jr.: Spanish Club, JV Basketball, Latin Club. **Sally Louise Ferrell:** Pep Club, FBLA, International Culture. **Charles Wayne Fisher:** Pep Club, Dragsters and Safety Club, VICA, Hi-Y. **Nancy Karen Fisher:** Dragsters and Safety Club, Pep Club, Flag Corps, National Honor Society. **Jane Dalton Ford:** Dragsters and Safety Club, French Club, Pep Club, SCA Representative. **Kenneth Stover Ford:** Latin Club, Dragsters and Safety Club, VICA. **Carl Anthony Forlines:** FFA. **Wanda Sue Forloines:** National Honor Society, Latin Club, Medical Careers Vice-President, Drama Club, SCA Representative, Tennis. **Juanita Denise Forrest:** Glee Club, Shutterbug Club, Pep Club. **Leory Hunt Foster:** Pep Club, Science Club Reporter, FFA. **Cheryl Larnette Foy:** Medical Careers, Pep Club, Science Club, DECA, SCA Representative. **Dinah Kathleen Francis:** National Honor Society, FHA, Pep Club, Dragsters and Safety Club. **Donna Marie Francis:** Galaxy, French Club, Pep Club, SCA Representative, Homeroom Officer. **Wanda Gayle Francis:** Haliscope, Star, Spanish Club, Homeroom Officer.

Charles Irving Fuller: National Honor Society Reporter, Modern Music Masters, Star, Chess, Latin Club, Haliscope Editor-in-Chief, Band Reporter, All-Regional Band, Governor's School. **Jacqueline Arnese Fuller:** Youth for Christ. **Susan Louise Fulp:** Senior Class Reporter, French Club, Library Assistant, Haliscope, SCA Representative, Homeroom Officer, Comette, Homecoming Queen, DAR Good Citizenship Award. **John Ivory Garner:** Pep Club, Bus Drivers. **Loretta Garner:** HERO, Science Club. **Angela Ingrid Gerst:** GAA, Band, Homeroom Officer, Track, Tennis, Volleyball, Basketball. **Bryan Keith Gilliam:** Star, Golf, Varsity Football, Latin Club. **Ricky Lane Glass:** Arts and Crafts, Latin Club, Pep Club, Band. **Teresa Ann Glascock:** Dragsters Club. **William Malcolm Glascock:** Pep Club, Haliscope, County History. **Eddie Lynn Glascock:** Dragsters and Safety Club. **Edward DeJarnette Glascock:** Chess Club, Spanish Club, Homeroom President. **Sharon Matthews Glascock:** Dragsters and Safety Club, French Club, HERO, Library Assistant, Bus Drivers Club.

John Garner
Angela Gerst
Ricky Glass
Teresa Glascock
Eddie Glascock

Loretta Garner
Keith Gilliam
Ed Glascock
Mac Glascock
Sharon Glascock

Super Comet. Grinning Everette Nichols takes in his stride a wise crack about his Super Comet costume during halftime at a home basketball game.



Ski, knee, crutch

No hall pass needed

Crutches were holding a large number of people up in the early spring. Reasons for wearing crutches ranged from a broken leg resulting from a fall while skiing to a dislocated knee received while playing badminton.

Crutches were a big hinderance for many students because of their uncomfortableness and also because they tended to slow students down quite a bit. Sophomore Bonita Oakley commented, "Crutches were really a lot of trouble. I only had to use them about three days, but in that short time they succeeded in rubbing huge sores under my arms."

Although crutches were a big pain in the neck, they also proved helpful in some ways. Because of their handicap, students were allowed to leave class five minutes early to hobble to their next class. Senior Caroline Harrell said, "Five minutes was just enough time to get to class so it really wasn't any added pleasure. However, I think the people who were allowed out to carry my books enjoyed the extra time to roam the halls."

For senior Betty Felton, crutches really got in the way. After breaking her leg in three places while skiing, she was stuck with crutches for four months. She even had to receive her diploma in one shaky hand while holding on to her crutches with the other.



Deannia Goods
Agnes Green
Bridget Guthrie
Jim Hagood
Harry Hamlett

Sylvia Goods
Belinda Green
Lee Anne Guthrie
Tina Haire
Donald Hando

Sharon Graves
Charles Green
Susan Guthrie
Garnet Hall
Dale Hardie

Mitzi Gravitt
Dewey Guill
Joseph Gwathney
David Hamlett
Barbara Harmon

James Morgan Hagood: Star, Chess Club, Medical Careers Club, Lettermen, Haliscope, Golf, Tennis, Sophomore Vice-President. **Tina Marie Haire:** Arts and Crafts Club, Chess Club, French Club, Latin Club, Pep Club, Drama Club, International Culture Club, Medical Explorers Club. **Garnett Grey Hall:** Crafts Club, Pep Club, Spanish Club, SCA Representative, Homeroom Officer. **David Walter Hamlett:** Arts and Crafts, Science Club, Industrial Arts. **Harry Leon Hamlett:** Dragster and Safety Club, Pep Club. **Dale Lee Hardie:** Star, Haliscope, Homeroom Officer, Conservation Club. **Barbara Lynn Harmon:** Band, Spanish Club, Medical Careers, JV Cheerleading, Fitness Club. **Sylvia Fay-dean Goods:** Pep Club, DECA, Modern Dance Club. **Sharon Cecelia Graves:** Galaxy, Drama Club, Medical Careers Club President, SCA Secretary. **Mitzi Lee Gravitt:** Star, Galaxy, FTA, Haliscope, Homeroom President. **Arlene Green:** FBLA. **Charles Warren Green:** Boys' Physical Fitness, Dragsters and Safety Club, Indus-

trial Arts, Football. **Bridget Ann Guthrie:** Star, GAA Reporter, Galaxy, Haliscope, Drama, Homeroom President, Gymnastics Co-Captain, Comettes. **Lee Anne Elizabeth Guthrie:** Star, Current Events Club, Comettes, French Club, Homeroom President. **Susan Ann Guthrie:** Pep Club, Dragsters and Safety Club. **Joseph Stanley Gwathney:** Star, Haliscope, Boys' Physical Fitness, DECA, French Club, JV Football. **Caroline Wingfield Harrell:** Star Editor, Chess, Spanish Club, Haliscope, Girls' State Representative, National Honor Society. **Cynthia Lee Harris:** Pep Club, Library Assistant, FHA. **Janice Mae Harris:** Medical Careers. **Jarious Nathaniel Harris:** Dragsters and Safety Club, Pep Club, Football, Track. **Ronnie Darnell Harris:** Arts and Crafts, Dragsters and Safety Club, Pep Club, Track. **Shirley Whitlow Hastings:** HERO. **Dale Gavin Hawkins:** Star, Current Events, Homeroom Officer, Golf. **Walter Watkins Hayes Jr.:** Dragster and Safety Club, Pep Club, Track. **James Michael Heath:** French Club, Pep Club.

Stumbling along. Betty Jeff Felton receives an award on crutches during Class Day. Twenty students used crutches during the school year because of accidents.



Caroline Harrell
Amos Harris
Cynthia Harris
Elaine Harris



Janice Harris
Jarious Harris
Ronnie Harris
Shirley Hastings



Dale Hawkins
Walter Hayes
Mike Heath
Charlie Hendricks

Norman Hendrick:
Deborah Herbert
James Hill



Tony Hill
Cecil Hogue
Deborah Holt



Wanda Honeycutt
Donna Hoskins
Jacqueline Howerton



The candy girl can

Moppets pay off big

Small Moppets paid off big for senior Jeannie Throckmorton when she won the TV for being the top first-day salesperson during the candy drive in the fall.

Jeannie sold over a hundred boxes of candy to persons throughout the county.

"The TV set was fine, but I would have liked to have won the grand prize of \$100," Jeannie said.

"The drive didn't do as well as in previous years, because people have gotten tired of the chocolate candy," Mr. Bill Vanney, assistant principal, commented. "Profits went to the school's general fund."



Candy girl. Jeannie Throckmorton was top first-day Moppet candy salesperson. Her prize was a new TV.

Norman Lee Hendrick: Dragsters and Safety Club, Pep Club, Bus Drivers, DECA. **Deborah Ann Herbert:** Medical Careers, Pep Club, Homeroom President, Cheerleader, Choir. **James Thomas Hill:** Audio-Visual, FFA. **Anthony Wayne Hill:** Drama, Industrial Arts, JV Football, Dramatic Productions. **Deborah Ann Holt:** SCA Vice-President, SCA Secretary, Sophomore Secretary, Youth for Christ, FBLA, Shutterbug Club, Homeroom President. **Wanda Bowen Honeycutt:** Dragsters and Safety Club, FHA, VICA. **Donna Kay Hoskins:** Homeroom President, Pep Club. **Jacqueline Sandra Howerton:** FHA, Bus Driver, SCA Representative. **Kathy Hubbard:** Pep Club, DECA, Drama, Dragsters and Safety Club, Homeroom Officer. **Lydia Devons Hubbard:** Pep Club, Library Assistant, Dragsters Club. **Willie Carol Hubbard:** Pep Club, Library Assistant. **Dyral Craig Humphrey:** Pep Club, Letterman, Spanish Club, Science Club, Dragsters and Safety, JV and Varsity Football. **Sharon Kay Humphrey:** Pep Club, Spanish Club, Band, FHA, Letterman, JV and Varsity Cheerleading, Choir. **Louis Luck Ingram:** FFA Secretary, Vice-President. **Annie Bee Jackson:** SCA

Representative, Pep Club, Shutterbug Club Treasurer. **Randy Snow Jacobs:** Dragsters and Safety Club, DECA, Industrial Arts. **Emelio Barry Jeffress:** Boys' Physical Fitness, Band. **Wanda Gale Jenkins:** Pep Club. **Elvin Louis Jennings:** Pep Club, Bus Driver. **Juliet Cassandra Jennings:** Junior Class Treasurer, Pep Club, Band, SCA Representative, Homeroom Officer, Spanish Honor Society. **LaVinia Delois Jennings:** Galaxy, GAA Secretary, Library Assistant, SCA Representative, Homeroom Officer, Senior Class Secretary. **Nina M. Jennings:** Medical Careers, Pep Club. **Betty Johnston:** Star, Pep Club, Spanish Club Reporter, Haliscope, National Honor Society, Junior Class Sgt.-at-arms, JV and Varsity Cheerleading, Homecoming chairman. **Gloria Jean Jones:** Arts and Crafts, HERO, Pep Club, Library Assistant, Bus Driver, FHA, Concert Choir. **Jennie Eva Jones:** Star, Galaxy, Pep Club, Library Assistant, FHA, FBLA, Haliscope, Modern Dance Club, SCA Representative. **Peggy Barksdale Jones:** Pep Club, Youth for Christ, FHA, VICA. **Sheila Powell Jones:** Arts and Crafts, GAA, FHA. **Janet Grace Jordan:** National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society, Star, Spanish Club, Haliscope.



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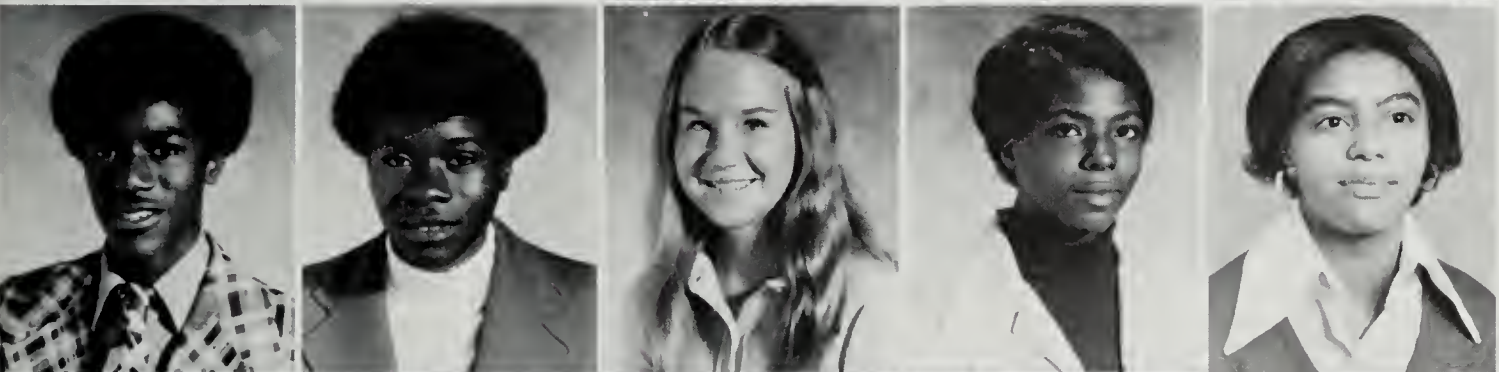
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Mike Ingram
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Annie Jackson
William Jackson
Randy Jacobs
Barry Jefferess
Wanda Jenkins



Elvin Jennings
Juliet Jennings
La Vinia Jennings
Nina Jennings
Deborah Johnson



Earl Johnson
Matthew Johnson
Betty Johnston
Gloria Jones
Jennie Jones



Lottie Mae Jones
Peggy Jones
Sheila Powell Jones
Janet Jordon
Shirley Mae Jordon

Milestone or pebble

No longer a little girl

Students usually reached their eighteenth birthday during their senior year at school. For some this day was a milestone in their lives, while for others it was a mere pebble.

Turning eighteen gave students the right to vote. Nancy Shelton said, "I voted in the primary elections in June and that made me feel older. I'm out of high school now and in college. It's a big step. I'm not a little girl anymore."

Lee Anne Guthrie registered to vote, but she said, "I didn't feel any older in just one day and I have no more freedom now than I've had for several years." Joseph Gwathney also registered to vote, yet he felt no real difference in being eighteen. "Turning eighteen wasn't a milestone in my life," Joseph commented, "just a pebble."

Patsy Yates said, "I don't feel any different at all. It's just that I've always wanted to be eighteen and I finally made it. I was able to get into places at the beach that I couldn't get into before."

Angela Powell did feel older and said, "My parents realize that I gotta make decisions on my own now since I'm going to college. I've looked forward to turning eighteen more than any other age." Sammy Chandler summed it up by saying, "Now I feel legal."



William Joyce
George King
Donnie Knowlson
Herbert Leigh
Cynthia Logan

Rita Kenny
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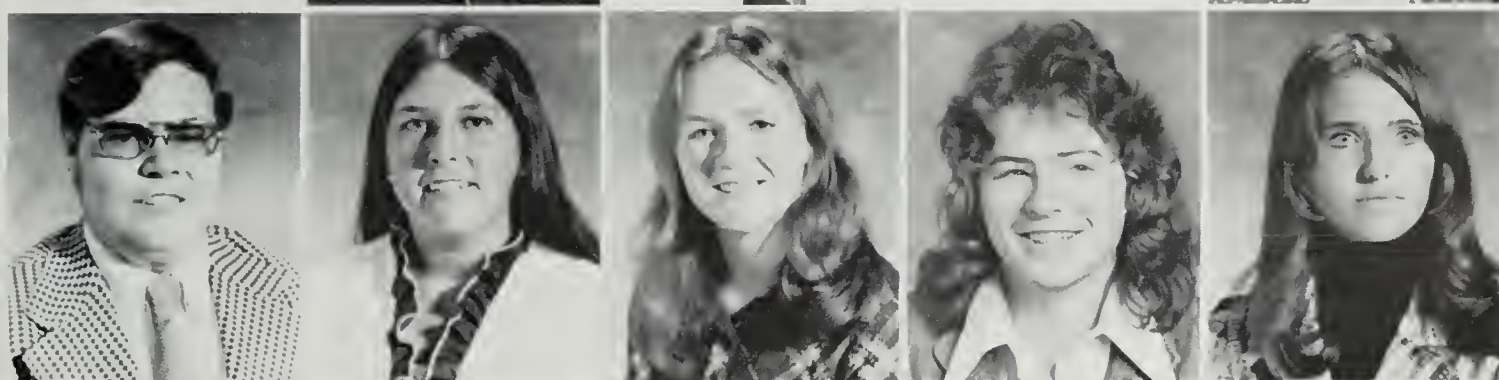
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Nelson Kirby Jr.
Glenda Layne
Gloria Lipscomb
Gerald Lovelace



Don Lowery
Joan Lowery
Michael Lowery
Monty Lowery
Stanley Lowery



Donna Luck
Frank Lutz
Barry Mabins
Dorothy Marable
Barbara Martin



Bert Martin
Charlotte Martin
Dale Hite Martin
David Martin
Evelyn Martin

Keith William Joyce: Chess, Latin, International Culture, Tennis, Latin Club, Freshman Baseball, Medical Explorers. **Rita Amanda Kenny:** Pep Club, Library Assistant. **Brenda Faye King:** HERO, Pep Club, Youth for Christ, FHA, Library Assistant. **Eva Odell King:** Pep Club, Track. **George Leon King:** Pep Club, Baseball, Basketball. **Lacy Louis King:** Cross Country, JV Football, Indoor and Outdoor Track. **Barbara Ann Kirby:** Pep Club, FHA, Library Assistant. **Nelson Kirby, Jr.:** Current Events, Boys' Physical Fitness, Football, Cross Country, Indoor and Outdoor Track, Industrial Arts. **Donald Edward Knowlson:** Baseball, Golf, Star Sports Editor, Science Club, Spanish Club, Medical Careers, SCA Representative, Haliscope. **Jill Elizabeth Lacks:** National Honor Society, FBLA, FHA. **Glenda Yvonne Layne:** Pep Club. **Herbert Ford Leigh:** Letterman's, Bus Drivers, JV Football, Varsity Football, Varsity Football Manager, Baseball. **Kathy Mae Ligon:** Flag Corps Head, SCA Representative. **Michael Albright Lipford:** Spanish Club, JV and Varsity Basketball.

Gloria Jean Lipscomb: Pep Club. **Cynthia Lynette Logan:** Pep Club, FHA, SCA Representative, Basketball, Homeroom Officer. **Glendora Louise Logan:** Modern Dance Club, Pep Club. **Rodney Brandon Long:** Latin Club, Bus Driver. **Don Alan Lowery:** Chess Club President, Golf Manager, SCA Representative. **Joan Lowery:** ICT, JV Cheerleader. **Michael F. Lowery:** Dragsters and Safety Club. **Monty Lowery:** DECA. **Stanley Allen Lowery:** Dragsters and Safety Club, French Club, Industrial Arts. **Gerald Walter Lovelace:** Boys' Physical Fitness, Pep Club, Industrial Arts, Letterman, Varsity Football, Varsity Track, JV Basketball. **Donna Marie Luck:** Shutterbug Club. **Frank Gardiner Lutz:** Star, Boys' Physical Fitness, Chess, Cross Country, Varsity Track. **Barry Lee Mabins:** Pep Club, Bus Drivers, SCA Representative. **Dorothy White Marable:** DECA, Pep Club, SCA Representative. **Barbara Mae Martin:** Pep Club, FHA, Homeroom Officer, SCA Representative. **Charlotte Marie Martin:** FHA. **Dale Hite Martin:** Pep Club, Bus Club, Dragsters and Safety Club. **Evelyn Maria Martin:** Library Assistant, DECA.



Good citizen. Voting is one privilege eighteen year olds can exercise so David Tucker registers with county registrar Mrs. Barbara Cage.

From tiny corn rows to biggest Afro here

Greg Bouldin loses hair to marines

Did you ever dream of having the biggest head in school? Neither did Greg Bouldin; but as it turns out, Greg sports the largest Afro here.

Greg didn't intentionally allow his hair to grow that much, but just refrained from cutting his hair for a whole year. Wearing the Afro since ninth grade, the senior gets tired of the same hair style day after day and can occasionally be seen with his hair worn in corn rows. This style also makes his Afro bush out when he lets it go. The task of braiding the hair close to the head takes

35-40 minutes to complete and is frequently done by his mother, girl friend or other friends.

Never regretting the size of his Afro, Greg merely laughs at teasing remarks made about his hair style and adds, "Doesn't bother me a bit!"

But Greg's reign of glory will end as he enters the marines. His hair will be shorn off to conform with marine regulations. A crew cut will be a definite change and quite an experience for Greg who vows to "grow it all back after I'm out!"



Phillip Ray Martin: Chess, Latin Club. **Sonya Sinora Martin:** Pep Club, Library Assistant, Drama Secretary, FBLA, Shutterburg Club, Head Majorette. **Susan Margaret Matze:** Modern Music Masters, Band Secretary-Treasurer, Youth For Christ. **Mark Anthony Mayhew:** Pep Club, Current Events President. **Charlie Daniel McCormick, Jr.:** FFA, Chess, Band, Stage Crew Manager, Audio-Visual. **Shirley Mae McCulloch:** Dragsters and Safety Club, Pep Club. **Sandra Ann McDowell:** Star, FTA, Spanish Club, Haliscope, SCA Representative. **James Clyde Meeler, Jr.:** FFA, Dragsters and Safety Club, FFA Chapter Reporter. **Cynthia Ann Miklos:** Spanish Club, DECA, Drama, SCA Representative. **Carolyn Miller:** Dragsters and Safety Club, Pep Club, County History Club Vice-President, Modern Dance Club. **Carolyn Lee Miller:** Pep Club, FHA. **Charles Edward Miller:** Arts and Crafts Vice-President, FTA, Pep Club, DECA Reporter, Drama Reporter, SCA Representative, Homeroom Officer. **Johnnie Elton Miller:** Pep Club, Track. **Joyce Ann Miller:** Pep Club,

FHA. **Sharon Denise Miller:** French Club, Drama, SCA Representative, Homeroom Officer. **Alvin Lewis Mitchell:** Pep Club, Baseball Pitcher. **Jocelyn Michelle Mitchell:** FHA, Arts and Crafts, Pep Club, Spanish Club. **Miles Henry Mitchell:** French Club, Drama, Industrial Arts, SCA Representative, FFA. **Quain Allen Moore:** Dragsters and Safety Club, DECA. **Sharon Ann Moore:** GAA, Spanish Club. **Patricia Chappell Moorefield:** Dragsters and Safety Club, Pep Club, Spanish Club, DECA. **Deborah Jeneane Morgan:** National Honor Society, Galaxy Art Editor, Arts and Crafts, Latin, Drama. **Curtis Brann Morris:** Dragsters and Safety Club. **Harry J. Morris:** Boys' Physical Fitness, Varsity Basketball and JV Basketball. **Nancy Carol Mosley:** Pep Club, Bus Driver, Library Assistant, Modern Dance Club. **Donna Lillian Murphy:** Galaxy, FTA, SCA Representative, Homeroom Officer, Homecoming Attendant, National Honor Society. **Sandra La Verne Murphey:** Pep Club, DECA. **Arthur Oakes Murray:** National Honor Society, Senior Class Sergeant-at-Arms, Star, Chess, SCA Representative, Homeroom Officer, Boys' State.

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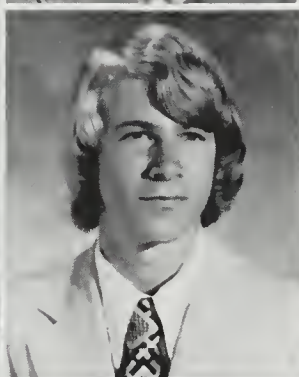
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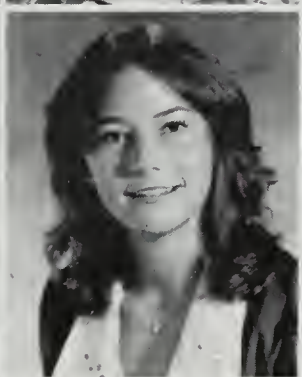
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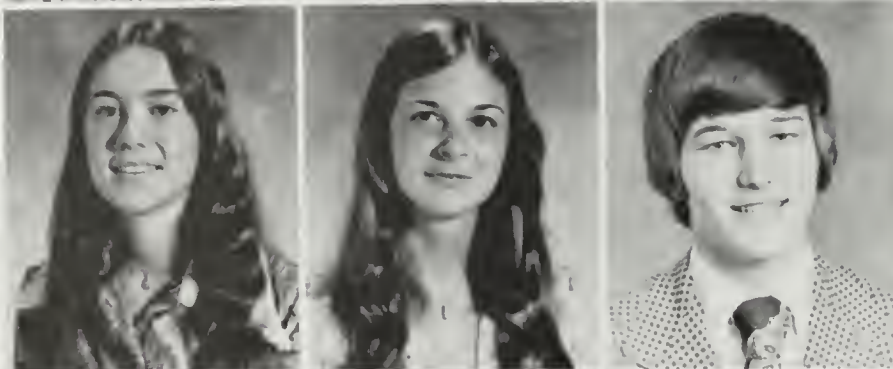


Record breaker. Greg Bouldin finds that huge Afros grow from tiny corn rows. He wears the biggest Afro in school.

Jeanette Murray
Willie Muse
June Myers



Sue Myers
Bridgett Neece
Tommy Nelson



Mary Carol New
Garland Newton, Jr.
Everette Nichols



Red-letter date

Class gets privileges

April 25 was a red-letter date for seniors. It marked the start of senior class privileges.

Some senior privileges were leaving for lunch five minutes early, coming in late if they had first period study hall and leaving school if they had fifth and sixth period study halls.

Of course, seniors took full advantage of their seniority benefits. However, underclassmen were dissatisfied.

"Why should they get all the good things just because they've been here longer," was the common underclass complaint.



Party plans. Ray Tucker, Otis Tuck, Willie Hubbard, Robert Cole and Leroy Foster choose lunch period to plan a Saturday night party.

Jeanette Murray: Pep Club, Library Assistant, Homeroom Officer, SCA Representative. **Willie Muse:** Pep Club. **Juanita Sue Myers:** Latin Club, SCA Representative, National Honor Society. **June Marguerite Myers:** Library Club, FBIA. **Bridgett Dow Neece:** Star, FTA President, Pep Club, Science Club, SCA Representative, JV and Varsity Cheerleader, Medical Explorers. **Thomas Pool Nelson III:** French Club, Latin Club, SCA Representative, Homeroom President, Science Fair Winner. **Mary Carol New:** Pep Club. **Garland Briggs Newton:** DECA, Dragsters Club, Football. **Everette Ray Nichols, Jr.:** SCA Representative, Letterman, JV and Varsity Football, Baseball. **Patricia Leigh Nichols:** Galaxy, Comettes, Drama, FTA, Science Club, Secretary, SCA Representative, Youth for Christ, VICA, Homeroom President. **Anita Jean Norton:** National Honor Society, French Club, Medical Careers, Pep Club, Comettes. **Benita Ann Norwood:** FHA, Pep Club, Basketball. **Sheila Gault Oakley:** FTA Secretary, SCA Representative, Spanish Club, Galaxy, Pep Club, Homeroom Officer. **Barbara Noel Oliver:** Pep Club, Drama, DECA, Library Assistant, SCA Representative. **Dennis Keith Osborne:** Track, Chess Vice-President. **Janice Marie Overby:** Star, Haliscope, Library Assistant,

National Honor Society. **Barbara Jeanette Owen:** FHA, Hero, Pep Club, Science Club. **Clarence Aaron Owen:** Pep Club, Boys' Physical Fitness, Audio-Visual. **David Allen Owen:** French Club, SCA Representative, Science Club, Homeroom Officer. **Janet Grey Owen:** Galaxy, Dragster and Safety Club, Pep Club, VICA. **Mary Elizabeth Owen:** Galaxy, Latin, SCA Representative, Latin Club. **Ray Clare Owen:** County History. **Ray Leaford Owen, Jr.:** French Club, Latin, Band, Drama, SCA Representative, Homeroom Officer. **Ronnie Erwin Owen:** Pep Club, DECA. **Sheila Gale Owen:** DECA. **Ella Marie Owens:** Pep Club. **Evelyn Mae Palmer:** Pep Club. **Margaret Elizabeth Palmer:** Medical Careers, Pep Club, Science Club, FHA. **Steven Anthony Palmer:** Boys' Physical Fitness, Co-captain Wrestling, Letterman's Club. **Carl Earskin Pannell:** Senior Class Vice-President, Boys' Physical Fitness, Pep Club, Band, Bus Driver's Club. **Carolyn Denise Passely:** Pep Club, SCA Representative, Homeroom Officer. **Dennis Ray Perkins:** Audio-Visual, Publications Photographer, Shutterbug Club. **Mary Harper Perkins:** Science Club, Pep Club, DECA, FBIA, FHA. **Michael David Perkins:** County History, Drama. **Linda Carol Peters:** Band, HERO, Pep Club, Drama.



Patricia Nichols
Anita Norton
Benita Norwood
Sheila Oakley
Barbara Oliver



Dennis Osborne
Janice Overby
Barbara Owen
Clarence Owen
David Owen



Howard Owen
Janet Owen
Lee Owen
Mary Beth Owen
Ray Owen



Ronnie Owen
Sheila Gale Owen
Ella Owens
Evelyn Palmer
Margaret Palmer



Steven Palmer
Wendell Palmer
Carl Pannell
Carolyn Passley
Freddie Patrick

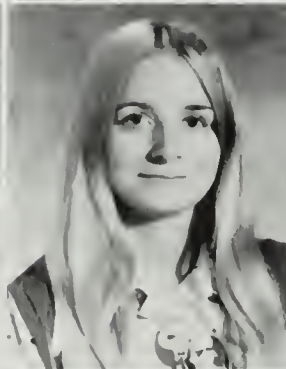


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Dennis Perkins
Mary Perkins
Michael Perkins
Linda Peters

Stanley Petty
Debra Pleasant
Albert Plenty
Raleigh Poindexter
David Pointer



Sharon Pointer
Richard Pool
Wanda Pool
Peggy Lou Poole
Patricia Poteat



Angela Powell
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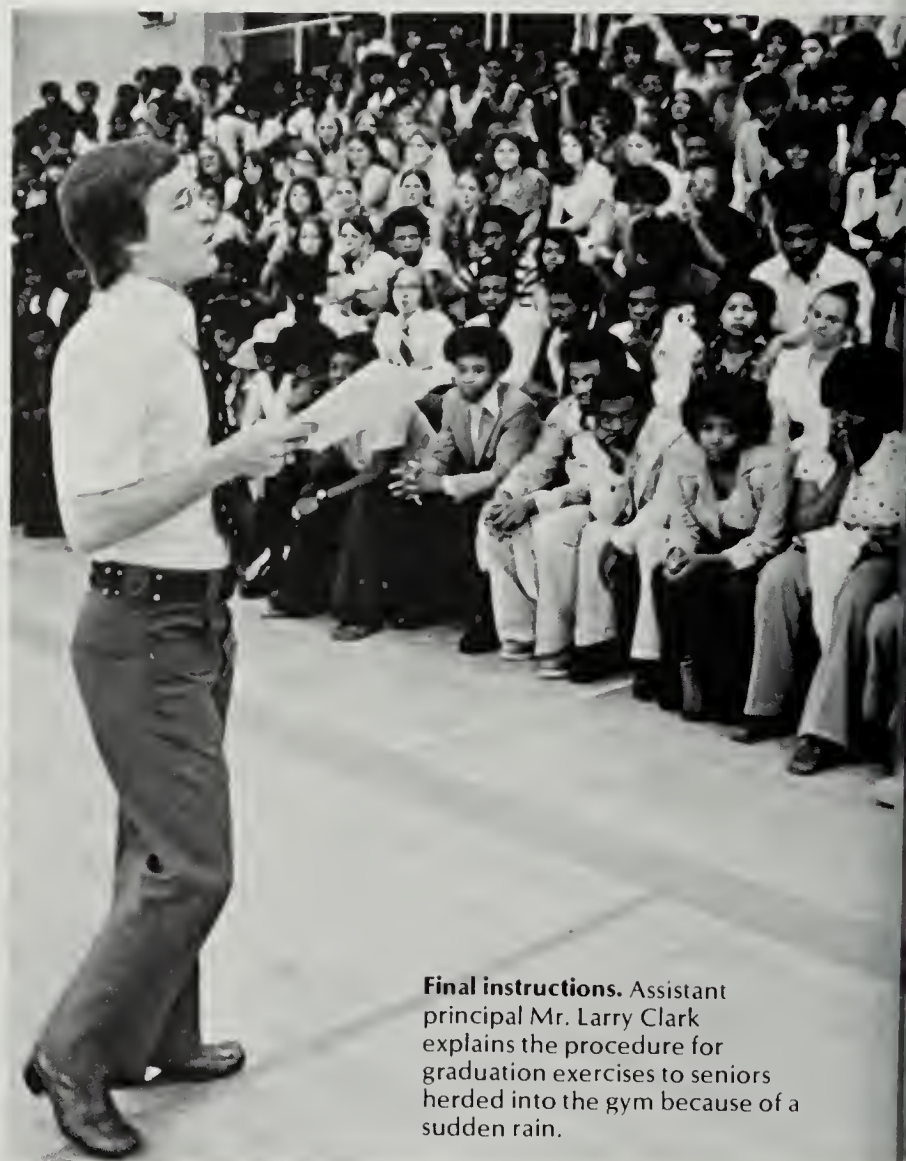
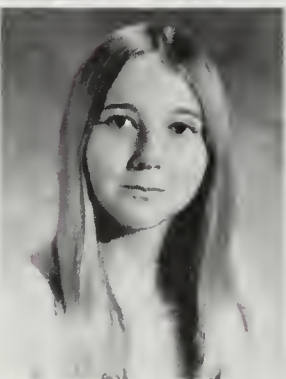
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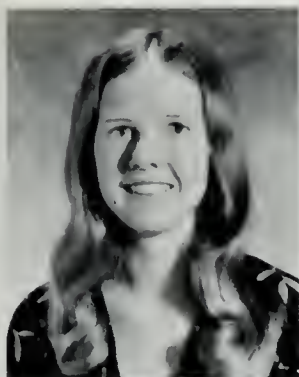


Kathy Puryear
Carolyn Quarles



Final instructions. Assistant principal Mr. Larry Clark explains the procedure for graduation exercises to seniors herded into the gym because of a sudden rain.

Yawn Hiccup is actually very dumb m.f.s.



Bettie Ragans
Virginia Ragans
Mary Ragland
Susan Ragland
Barbara Ragsdale



Janet Ragsdale
Jerry Ragsdale
Ronnie Ratliff
Harry Ray
Holly Reaves



Amy Lee Redd
Samuel Redd
Vicky Reeves
Hassie Reynolds
Brenda Rice



Stanley Kent Petty: Boys' Physical Fitness, Pep Club, Varsity Basketball. **Deborah Ann Pleasants:** Girls' Track, Girls' Varsity Basketball. **Albert Hugo Pleanty:** Boys' Physical Fitness Club, Pep Club. **David Solomon Pointer:** Pep Club, French Club, Track. **Sharon Sherdean Pointer:** Pep Club, Library Assistant, Homeroom Officer. **Richard Hartley Pool:** Industrial Arts, Pep Club, Spanish Club. **Peggy Lou Poole:** Pep Club, VICA, Dragsters and Safety Club. **Patricia Ann Poteat:** Dragsters and Safety Club, Arts and Crafts, FHA, Pep Club, SCA Representative, Homeroom Officer. **Angela Felice Powell:** Galaxy, SCA Representative, Latin, National Honor Society. **Belinda Mae Powell:** HERO, Pep Club, DECA, FHA, Drama. **Linda Gae Powell:** Pep Club, DECA. **Nathaniel Leon Powell:** Pep Club, Boys' Physical Fitness, Bus Driver. **Sharon Holt Powell:** Dragsters and Safety Club. **Barbara Watson Price:** Dragsters and Safety Club. **Barry Allen**

Puckett: VICA. **Joanne Puryear:** Pep Club, FHA, Youth for Christ, Spanish Club. **Carolyn Lorraine Quarles:** Band, Homeroom President, Pep Club, SCA Representative, Latin Club, Modern Music Masters. **Betty Jean Ragans:** Dragsters and Safety Club Treasurer, French Club, DECA. **Virginia Carol Ragans:** Pep Club. **Mary Arteamus Ragland:** Pep Club, Medical Explorers, Track, Homeroom President. **Susan Ann Ragland:** FTA, Spanish Club, Drama, SCA Representative. **Barbara Irene Ragsdale:** Arts and Crafts, Pep Club, Modern Dance Club, Shutterbug Club, Choir. **Janet Ragsdale:** Modern Dance Club. **Jerry L. Ragsdale:** Pep Club, Boys' Physical Fitness Club. **Holly Marie Reaves:** Pep Club, Youth for Christ. **Amy Lee Redd:** French Club, Pep Club, DECA, FHA. **Samuel David Redd:** Arts and Crafts Club, Pep Club. **Vicky Lee Reeves:** Arts and Crafts Club Secretary, Current Events Club, Modern Dance Club. **Brenda Lee Rice:** Pep Club.

Forty for the zoo

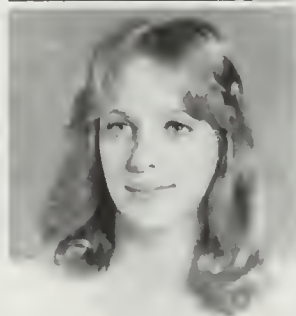
Trip was worthwhile

Thirty-five seniors and five chaperones agreed that their trip to Washington, D.C. in May was well worth their time.

Personal opinion varied on the weekend trip. Mr. Waldo, senior government teacher, commented, "I felt it was a most educational and enjoyable trip." "I had a fantastic time although it took everyone on the bus to keep Mr. Waldo out of trouble," Stan Yeatts jokingly said.

"I enjoyed the Capitol and the zoo most of all," Bridgett Neece said. "The only bad point was getting up at four in the morning to catch the bus taking us there."

Avis Rickman
Judy Roark



Gerald Roark
Barry Roberts



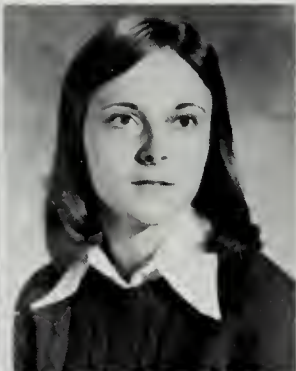
Avis Susan Rickman: Arts and Crafts Club President, FTA, Spanish Club, Homeroom Officer.
Judy Gayle Roark: Star, Pep Club, SCA Representative, Dragsters and Safety Club.
Barry Ray Roberts: VICA, Dragsters and Safety Club.
Joan Mae Robertson: Pep Club.
Lorraine Marie Robertson: FHA, Drama, DECA, Pep Club.
Marshall Alan Rowland: Tennis.
Helen Leanne Russell: Star, Galaxy, Current Events, Haliscope, Latin Club Secretary, Pep Club, Library Assistant, National Honor Society.
Alan Brady Satterfield: Boys' Physical Fitness, JV Football, Varsity Football Manager.
Dorothy Shields Satterfield: DECA, FHA.
Pamela Jean Satterfield: National Honor Society, FTA, Galaxy Editor-in-Chief, Library Assistant, SCA Representative, Homeroom President.
Raymond Lee Satterfield: Bus Driver.
Debra Luann Sanders: Star, Galaxy, Chess, French, Band, FTA, Haliscope, Audio-Visual.
Rita Faye Saunders: Spanish Honor Society, FTA, Spanish Club, Haliscope.
Toni Fallen Saunders: Youth For Christ, Library Assistant, FBLA President.
Victoria Lynne Saunders:

Youth For Christ, Dragsters and Safety Club.
John Edward Scheier: DECA President, Dragsters and Safety Club.
Larry Daniel Scott: Boys' Physical Fitness, Dragsters and Safety Club, Letterman, JV and Varsity Basketball.
Joyce Ann Seamon: DECA.
Nancy Kay Shelton: National Honor Society, Star, Haliscope, French Club, GAA, FBLA Secretary-Treasurer, SCA Representative.
Fannie Orelia Simon: Pep Club, Library Assistant, Modern Dance Club, SCA Representative, Homeroom Officer.
Sue Alice Sims: Pep Club.
David Bruce Slabach: French Club, Science Club, Bus Driver, Homeroom President, FFA President, Livestock Judging Winner, Forestry Judging Winner, Public Speaking Winner.
Gary Bruce Slagle: Star, Spanish Club, Medical Explorers, Haliscope, Band, SCA Representative, Hi-Y Secretary.
Eunice Laverne Slayton: GAA, Shutterbug Club.
Brenda Snead Smith: Pep Club, FHA.
David Harper Smith: National Honor Society President, Spanish Club, Letterman, Homeroom President, Varsity Football.
Jerome H. Smith: Boys' Physical Fitness, Pep Club, DECA.

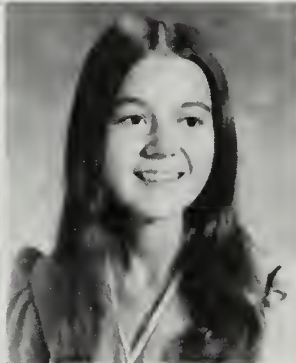
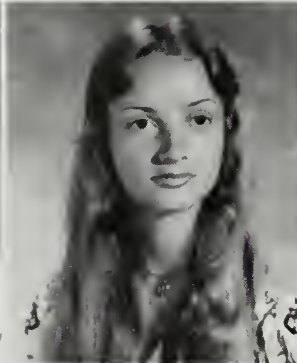
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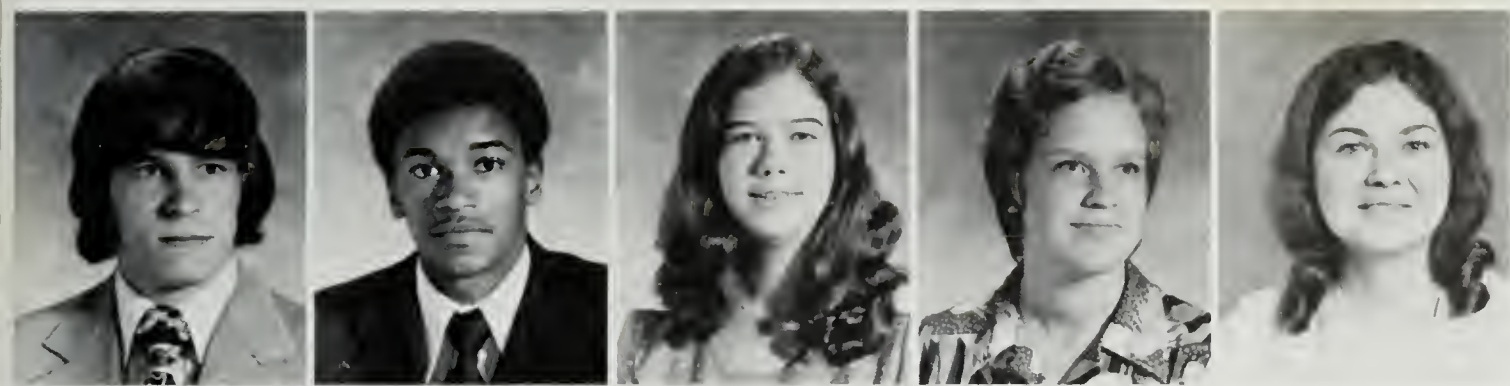


Marshall Rowland
Helen Russell
Alan Satterfield
Dorothy Satterfield
Pam Satterfield



Raymond Satterfield
Luann Saunders
Rita Saunders
Toni Saunders
Victoria Saunders





John Schier
Larry Scott
Joyce Ann Seamon
Nancy Shelton
Phyllis Short

Rush into marriage, college, occupations

Early graduates have varied reasons

Seniors have found they can reduce their five year education to four years. This was done for such reasons as getting married, already married, rushing into college, lack of interest in school, work and just to be doing something different.

In order to do this, one must have 23 credits from the eighth to the twelfth grade. Eighteen of these credits have to be obtained from the ninth to the twelfth grade. To graduate early one must attend summer school for at least one summer and often times one has to attend the sessions for two summers.

It all depends on when one decides to graduate early. If one attends summer school before the tenth grade, he only has to go one summer. If he attends summer school after the tenth grade, he must go for two summers.

This year there was a change in the summer program. There were a few students who wanted to graduate early but needed two credits. They were allowed to take English during summer school hours and they were given an independent government study to work on after class. By doing this they were able to graduate.



Sunny wait. Rehearsing for graduation can be tiring Freeda Ballou and Karen Ballou discover. Seniors remained after Class Day for a last practice.



Fannie Simon
Paul Simmons
Sue Sims
David Slabach
Garry Slagle

Eunice Slayton
Brenda Smith
David Smith
Jane Smith
Jerome Smith

Old play, new scene

Seeing tops reading

Fifty-two students from Mrs. Ann Conner's twelfth-grade English classes visited the Virginia Museum Theater in Richmond in the early spring to see a modern presentation of "Much Ado About Nothing," one of Shakespeare's most popular romantic comedies.

The trip was an extension of the senior classes' study of English literature. Mrs. Conner felt that the presentation was quite a success. She said, "We haven't been disappointed in the several years that we've taken students down there."

Most of the playgoers agreed with Mrs. Conner. "I really liked how the director changed the scene from Shakespeare's original to New Orleans," Kim Spence said. "Somehow it made the lines and situations funnier."

All agreed that if you had to study Shakespeare, it was better to see the play than just read it.



Pamela Smith
John Snead
Audrey Stephens
Nancy Stevens
Jack Swann

Wayne Smith
Rita Snead
Geraldine Stephens
Ava Stewart
Annie Sweeney

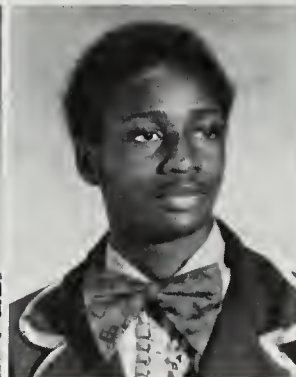
Valerie Smoot
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Annette Sydnor

Cynthia Snead
Kimberly Spence
David Stevens
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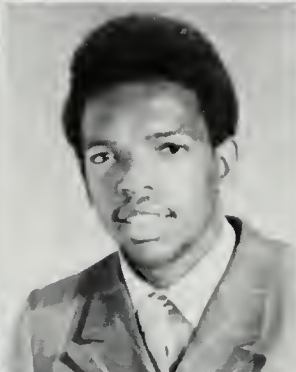


Graduation practice. Judy Church, Mary Church, Wayne Claiborne and Deborah Clark get the word on diploma-receiving procedures.

Pamala Kay Smith: Pep Club, FHA Treasurer, Bus Patrol. **Teresa Jane Smith:** Dragsters and Safety Club, Pep Club, Library Assistant, FBLA. **Wayne Keith Smith:** DECA. **Valerie Carol Smoot:** French Club, VICA Secretary. **Cynthia Dianne Snead:** Dragsters and Safety Club. **John Goodridge Snead:** Dragsters and Safety Club, French Club, Varsity Football. **Rita Sue Snead:** FBLA. **Wendy Veronica Sparks:** Star, Galaxy, Pep Club, Library Assistant, Haliscope, Homeroom Officer. **Kimberly Evans Spence:** Star, GAA, Latin Club, Medical Careers, Library Assistant, Haliscope, Drama, Galaxy. **Audrey Levoid Stephens:** Pep Club, Glee Club. **Geraldine Marie Stephens:** Homeroom President, Pep Club, DECA, FHA. **Jacqueline Dianne Stephens:** Pep Club Band, Drama, SCA Representative. **David Allen Stevens:** Dragsters and Safety Club, Wrestling. **Nancy Ann Stevens:** National Honor Society, Haliscope, GAA, DECA, FBLA. **Avalene Stewart:** French Club, Pep Club, Haliscope, DECA. **Vivian Theresa Stovall:** GAA, Pep Club, Track. **Howard Anderson Suit:** National Honor Society, French Club, Latin Club. **Jack Thomas Swann:** Pep Club. **Annette Jones Syndor:** Pep Club, Medical Careers, Science Club, SCA Representative. **Kim Denise Talbot:** Arts and Crafts, Dragsters and Safety Club, Pep Club, FHA, Modern Dance Club, VICA, Homeroom Officer, Gymnastics. **Cecil Trent Talley:** Boys' Physical Fitness, Dragsters and Safety Club, Letterman Vice-President, SCA Representative, Football, All-Western District Football, All-Northwest Regional Football, Track, All-Star Game Participant. **Betty Jean Tanksley:** Pep Club, VICA. **Michael Thomas Tanner:** Dragsters and Safety Club. **Audrey Marie Terry:** Pep Club, Library Assistant, FBLA, Modern Dance Club. **Debra Elliot Testerman:** Pep Club, DECA. **Lewis Boyd Thaxton:** Chess. **Marie Ann Thompson:** Youth for Christ Secretary, Shutterbug Club. **Larry Cornelius Thorpe:** Pep Club, Dragsters and Safety Club. **Helen Jean Throckmorton:** DECA Vice-President, Dragsters Club. **Michele Grey Throckmorton:** Arts and Crafts Treasurer, Dragsters and Safety Club, Pep Club. **Gary Thomas Toler:** Current Events, VICA Treasurer.



Paul Sydnor
Kim Talbott
Cecil Talley
Betty Tanksley
Michael Tanner



Audrey Terry
Henry Terry
Marvin Terry
Debra Testerman
Lewis Thaxton



Ann Thompson
Larry Thorpe
Jean Throckmorton
Michele Throckmorton
Gary Toler

No unusual routines for class valedictorian

Sammy Chandler earns 96.785 average

Valedictorian of the graduating class, Sammy Chandler had an academic average of 96.785. He was also a member of the National Honor Society and "Star" copy editor.

"I didn't have any special study habits that helped me with my subjects. I just worked hard and did what I had to do," he said.

He plans to attend the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill this fall. He commented, "I am going to major in computer science. After I finish there, I have no

idea what I'm going to do."

Sammy was also awarded the Johnston Scholarship. He said, "It's worth \$1000 a year and because I am an out-of-state scholarship winner, UNC had offered me \$850 more."

His most memorable thoughts about his senior year were the people he met and the places he visited. He remarked, "The friendships I have made this year really mean a lot to me and I've been to some places that I've always wanted to see. I've really enjoyed it all."

Mary Torian
Alice Traynham

Linda Towler
Doris Traynham



Ernest Traynham
Amy Tuck
David Tucker

Richard Traynham
Debra Tuck
Joby Tucker

Sandy Tribbley
Ivy Tuck
Austin Tune

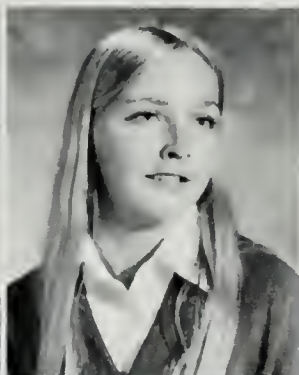
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Linda Tune
Wayne Vaughan

Elizabeth Vaughan
Reginald Wade

Michael Vaughan
Wanda Wade



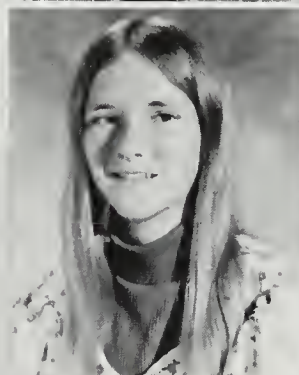
Top average. Sammy Chandler accepts from Dr. L.M. Venable the "Reader's Digest" Award on Class Day for having the highest academic average in the class.



Karen Waldie
Donna Walker



Jeff Wallace
Charles Waller



Deborah Waller
Irene Waller



Mary Frances Torian: HERO Treasurer, Pep Club, FHA. **Linda Pearl Towler:** Pep Club, FBIA, Library Assistant. **Alice Traynham:** HERO, Science Club, FHA. **Doris Marie Traynham:** Pep Club. **Ernest Avon Traynham:** Pep Club. **Sandra Sue Tribble:** Galaxy, FTA, SCA Representative. **Susan Lee Trickey:** County History, FBIA. **Amy Sue Tuck:** Galaxy, Chess, Drama, Band, French, Choir. **Cindy Sue Tucker:** Youth for Christ, FHA, Comettes. **David Bratcher Tucker:** Pep Club. **Brenda Gale Tune:** Homeroom Officer, FHA, Glee Club, Pep Club. **Linda Ruth Tune:** Pep Club. **Douglas Wayne Vaughan:** Boys' Physical Fitness,

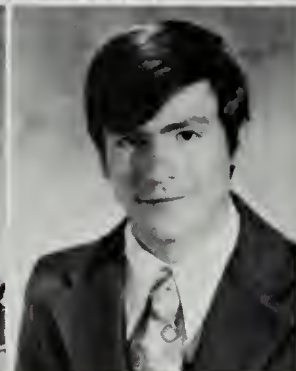
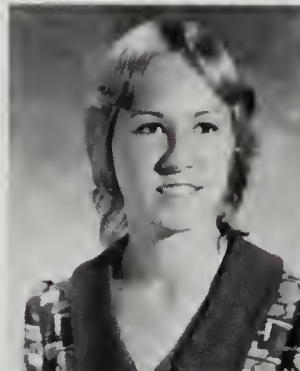
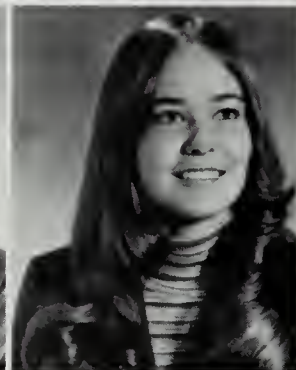
Dragsters and Safety Club. **Elizabeth Jean Vaughan:** FHA. **Michael Gary Vaughan:** Pep Club, Spanish Club, Sophomore Homeroom President. **Reggie Edward Wade:** Dragsters and Safety Club, Pep Club, Industrial Arts. **Wanda Kaye Wade:** HERO, FBIA, SCA Representatives. **Donna Marie Walker:** Star, Haliscope, Pep Club, Girls' Varsity Tennis. **Jeffrey David Wallace:** Letterman, Homeroom President, Varsity Baseball, Varsity Football. **Charles Waller:** Boys' Physical Fitness, JV Football, Track. **Deborah Anne Waller:** Dragsters and Safety Club. **Irene Darlene Waller:** Pep Club, DECA.

Randy Lenn Waller: FFA Secretary, Boys' Physical Fitness. **Millous Jerome Walton:** DECA. **Annitta Carmilla Warren:** Pep Club, Modern Dance Club. **Clarence Edward Watkins:** JV Football, Track. **Donna Kay Watkins:** FHA Reporter. **Ray Micheal Watkins:** Boys' Physical Fitness, Football, Track. **Kelvin David Watson:** Boys' Physical Fitness, Pep Club, DECA, JV and Varsity Basketball, JV Football. **Cindy Diane Watts:** Star, Haliscope, Galaxy, Dragsters and Safety Club, Pep Club. **Mary Carlton Watts:** National Honor Society, Dragsters and Safety Club, French Club, Comettes, Society of Outstanding American High School Students. **Michael Walden Watts:** Dragsters and Safety Club, Industrial Arts, VICA, Baseball. **Rhonda Gay Watts:** Dragsters and Safety Club. **Susan Elizabeth Weatherford:** Star, GAA, Medical Careers, Spanish Club, Haliscope. **Steve Douglas Wheeler:** DECA. **Joyce Ellen Whitlow:** FTA, Pep Club, FBLA, SCA Representative. **Thomas Wilborn Whitlow, Jr.:** Latin Club President,

DECA. **Brenda Jeannette Wilborn:** FTA, International Cultures Club, SCA Representative. **William Charles Wilborn:** Dragsters and Safety Club, DECA. **Cassandra Jo Wilborne:** National Honor Society, DECA Parliamentarian. **Barbara Gail Wilkerson:** FTA, SCA Representative, Spanish Club. **Mark Raleigh Wilkerson:** National Honor Society, French Club, Track, JV and Varsity Basketball, Sophomore Sergeant-at-Arms, Lettermen's Club. **Linda Dianne Wilkins:** Pep Club, Drama. **Seriat Viola Wilkins:** Pep Club, Choir, Guidance Worker. **William Earl Wilkins:** Letterman, VICA, Football, Track. **Gloria Jean Williams:** Art and Crafts Club, Current Events, Pep Club, Spanish Club, Library Assistant, Drama, Glee Club, Modern Dance, SCA Representative, Homeroom Officer. **Mark Anthony Williams:** Dragsters and Safety Club, DECA. **Michael Irving Williams:** Dragsters and Safety Club, Pep Club, Spanish Club, Haliscope. **Linda Susan Williamson:** Star, Youth for Christ President, Haliscope, FHA, SCA

Randy Waller
Anita Warren
Donna Watkins
Kelvin Watson
Mary Watts

Millous Walton
C. W. Watkins
Ray Watkins
Cindy Watts
Michael Watts



Outgrowing the big, yellow school buses

Majority drive, hitch rides to school

Outgrowing the big, yellow buses seemed to be common among the seniors. The majority of the senior class either drove or rode with someone who did drive to school.

They shunned the bus simply because they were tired of riding them. Many complained that the buses were too crowded and noisy.

Others found that they arrived at home much earlier when they traveled by some means other than the bus. This of course gave them more time to "mess around". Driving also enabled seniors to leave early for after-school jobs.

However, riding in a car, truck

or motorcycle did present problems when it came to the school parking lot. Most of the time students had to literally fight for a parking space and then when they were finally parked they realized that they had only succeeded in getting blocked in by someone else.

Leaving the parking lot in the afternoon was another hassle. It took what seemed like an eternity just to emerge from the parking space and become a part of the long line waiting to enter Highway 501.

Despite its bad points, driving to school beat riding the bus for most seniors.

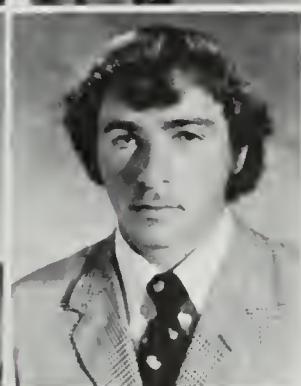
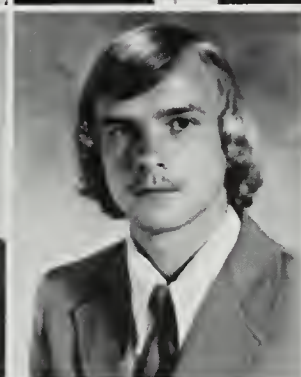
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Serita Wilkins
Karen Williams
David Wilmoth

Steve Wheeler
Cassandra Wilborne
William Wilkins
Mark Williams
Jeff Wilmouth

Joyce Whitlow
Bobby Wilkerson



Shopping spree. Driving to school gives Nancy Shelton a chance to shop for spring clothes after the school day ends.

Service rewarded

Seniors win honors

Department and scholarship honors went to outstanding seniors on Class Day.

Department awards were presented to David Slabach and Louis Ingram, agriculture; Caroline Harrell, journalism; Brenda Younger and Sue Myers, history; Charles Fuller, science; Janet Jordan, Spanish; Charles Miller, art; Brenda King, Joyce Miller and Cassandra Beard, occupational home economics and Anthony Conner, bus driver.

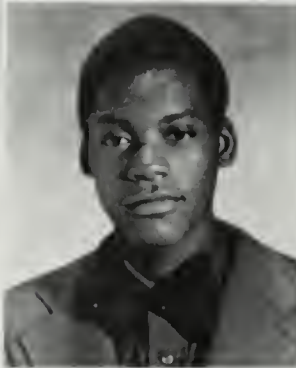
Special scholarships went to Angela Gerst, the Dr. Bessie Carr Award; David Slabach, Marshall Swanson Award; Deborah Holt, Wade Wicks Award and David Smith, Tuck Dillard Memorial. Also receiving scholarships were Karen Ballou and Mark Wilkerson, Virginia McLaughlin Memorial; Peggy Baskervill, Granville P. Meade; Sam Chambers, N.C. Central University General Alumni Association and Luann Saunders, Delta Kappa Gamma.

Other scholarship winners recognized were Nancy Shelton and Rita Saunders, Craddock Terry; Juliet Jennings, Bendix Corporation; Leonia Coleman and Sharon Miller, International Building Laborers; Mary Ragland, Wabash Magnetics and Steve Farmer and Carl Pannell, U.S. Military Academy. Also, Helen Russell received a 4-H Scholarship.

Randy Wilson
Gerard Wimbish
Claude Womack



Doraine Womack
Edna Womack
Edward Womack



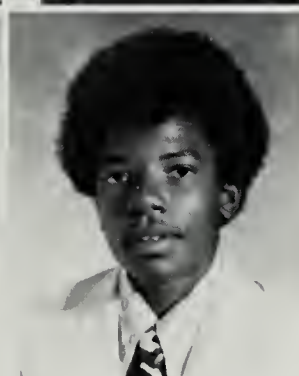
Herman Womack
Lucille Womack
Raleigh Womack



Top journalist. Dr. L.M. Venable presents Caroline Harrell the journalism award for her work as the "Star's" editorial page editor.

Almost over. A part of the "C" row marches out at the conclusion of Class Day exercises. Graduation for the 550 seniors was that night.

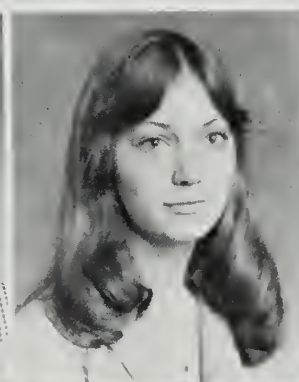




Sheena Womack
Walter Woody, Jr.
Phyllis Wray
Gloria Wyatt

Sandra Wooden
Henry Woosley
Barbara Wyatt
Lindbergh Wyche

Randy Dean Wilson: Dragsters and Safety Club, Bus Drivers, Industrial Arts. **Gerard Rogers Wimbish:** Boys' Physical Fitness, Chess. **Claude Gary Womack:** Boys' Physical Fitness, Track. **Doraine Elaine Womack:** Pep Club. **Herman Tavis Womack:** Bus Drivers. **Lucille Anita Womack:** Pep Club. **Raleigh Louville Womack:** Pep Club. **Sandra Gail Wooden:** FHA, Pep Club. **Henry Meade Woosley:** Audio-Visual. **Phyllis Stevens Wray:** Pep Club, FHA, SCA Representative, Homeroom Officer. **Barbara Jean Wyatt:** French Club Vice-President, Head Majorette, Drama, SCA Representative, Shutterbug Club. **Gloria Jean Wyatt:** Pep Club, Library Assistant, Concert Choir, Comerata Singers. **Lindbergh Wyche:** Pep Club. **Jackie Lynn Yancey:** Dragsters, Safety Club, DECA. **Patsy Gayle Yates:** National Honor Society, Chess Club Secretary, French Club, Pep Club, SCA Representative, Homeroom Officer. **Stanley Dale Yeatts, II:** National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society, SCA President, Chess Club, Spanish Club, SCA Representative, Homeroom Officer, Track, Medical Explorers Treasurer, Society of Distinguished American High School Students, 1973 Va. State Science Fair Representative, Junior Marshal, Who's Who in American High Schools, Chairman of Student Advisory Committee For Federal Projects, Outstanding Teenagers of America. **Carol Ann Young:** National Honor Society, French Club, Secretary, GAA Vice-President, Youth for Christ, Gymnastics Co-Captain, Choir. **Evelyn Elizabeth Young:** Pep Club. **Kathy Belinda Young:** Dragsters and Safety Club, Pep Club, Bus Drivers. **Rosa Eva Young:** Pep Club, VICA. **Brenda Kaye Younger:** National Honor Society, Spanish Club, Youth for Christ Treasurer.



Jackie Yancey
Patsy Yates
Stan Yeatts



Carol Young
Evelyn Young
Kathy Young

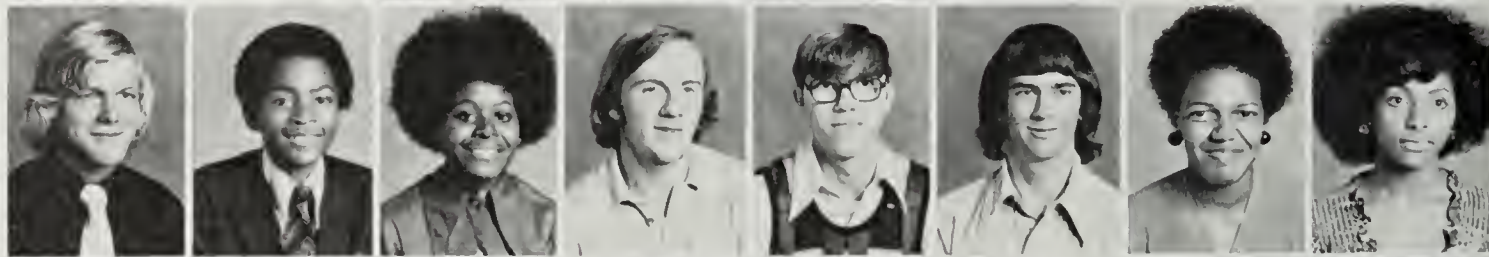


Rosa Young
Brenda Younger
Kenneth Younger

Bill Abbott
John Ambrose
Timothy Amos
Carolyn Anderson
Sharon Anderson
Teresa Anderson
Nancy Andrews
Eddie Austin



Mark Averett
Jason Bailey
Sarah Bailey
PeeWee Bales
Len Bane
Ronnie Bane
Diana Banks
Pat Banks



Calvin Barbour
Cynthia Barbour
Judy Barbour
Sarah Barbour
Mary Barksdale
Jerry Barksdale
Robbin Barksdale
Al Bates



Tammy Bates
Tracy Bates
Anne Benassi
Beverly Betts
Lilly Bishop
Janet Bliss
Wanda Blount
Mike Bomar



John Bostick
David Boswell
Lisa Bowen
Mattie Bowman
Kathy Boyd
Clyde Brooks



Juniors

Class spirit similar to commercial

Television commercials several years ago described Union 76 gasoline. A similarity is found between Union 76 and this year's juniors. They both have "Spirit of 76." The juniors could be described with excited spirit when they voted for class officers in October. Another word describing the juniors was "lively" as they participated in pep rallies, school dances, games and assemblies.

The Class of '76 will be one to remember also because it will be the bicentennial year. The year will mark a historical anniversary of America's 200th existence as an independent country. The juniors have been proving their history 12 years as they will soon reach their goal: the graduating Class of '76.





Louvenor Boyd
Ricky Boyd
Patricia Bradsher
Daniel Brandon
Joyce Burnette
Larry Burrell
Danette Burton
Buster Butler



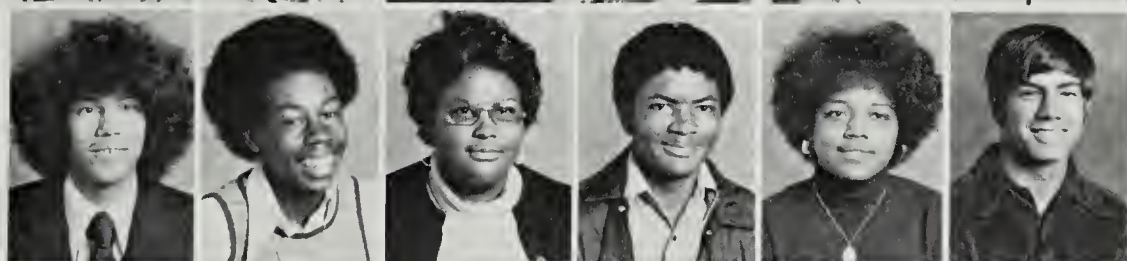
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Pam Carden



Darlene Carr
Laverne Carr
Sandra Carr
Shelia Carrington
Virginia Carrington
Robin Carter
Timmy Carter
Allison Caskie



Mark Cassada
Jackie Clark
Tommy Clark
Jerome Claughton
Alice Clay
Janet Clements
Mary Cole
Ricky Cole



Carlos Coleman
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Kelvin Coleman
Wendy Coleman
Gene Comer



Lou Compton
Wynona Compton
Carlene Conner
Greta Conner
Michael Conner
Patricia Conner



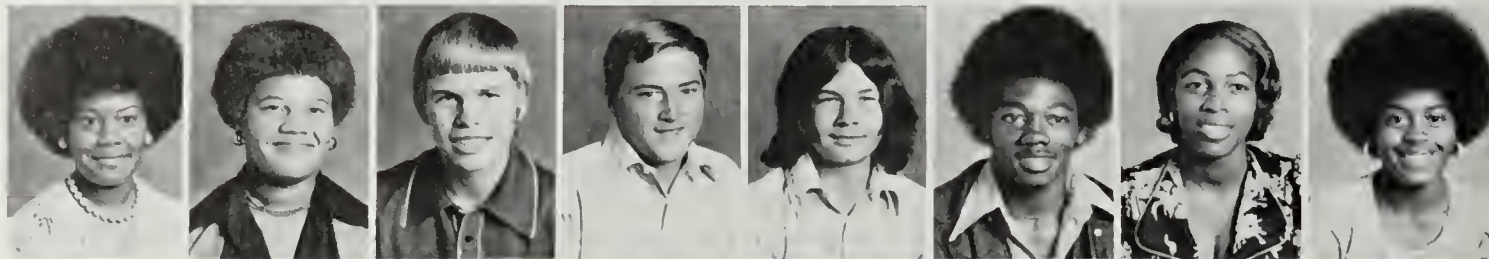
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Lester Cook
Robin Coon
Debra Cooper
Gary Covington
Rob Cox



Debra Crowder
Tommy Crowder
Charlene D'agata

Picture posers. Class officers are
(kneeling) Mae Nelson, treasurer; Emily
Powell, reporter; Gwen Guthrie, vice-
president; (standing) Leslie Logan,
sergeant-at-arms; Amy Edmunds, president and
not pictured Wanda McDowell, secretary.

Florine Davis
Joy Davis
Wade Davis
David Day
Thomas Dean
Carlton Delaware
Melba Delaware
Grace Dismuke



Wesley Dismuke
Billy Dix
Al Dixon
Joyce Dixon
Karen Dixon
Kathy Dixon
Ronald Dixon
William Dixon



Mark Dodd
Patricia Dunkley
Samuel Easley
Daniel Edmonds
Jimmy Edmondson
Cynthia Edmunds
Linda Elliott
Teresa Elliott



Boyd Ellis
Linda Epps
Marvin Fallen
Nancy Fallen
Leo Ferguson
Shelia Ferguson
Andy Ferrell
Emmett Ferrell



Janice Ferrell
David Ford
David Forlines



David Foster
Gary Foster
Grayson Francis



Dale Francisco
Susan Garrett
Elizabeth Gilmore



Christmas march. Band Majorette Anne Benassi leads the Halifax Senior High Marching Band down Main Street, South Boston, during the Christmas parade. Anne attended Governor's School this summer.



Juniors

Studies run from duckweed to Shakespeare

Studying everything from duckweed to Shakespeare, four juniors attended the Governor's School for the gifted during the summer. These were Anne Benassi, Kelly Rebeck and Charles Hatcher. Robert Overstreet was the alternate.

Anne studied creative writing and French at Mary Washington in Fredericksburg, Kelly studied botany and psychology at Mary Baldwin in Staunton and Charles studied chemistry, literature and computer science there also.

Each session lasted four weeks. The school is designed for rising juniors and seniors gifted and talented in fine arts, humanities, natural and physical sciences and or history and social sciences.

Selected by the administration and the Guidance Department, the choice was based on intelligence, test scores, talent, achievement, interest and awareness.

Brenda Glasgow
Yolanda Gomes
Tony Gregory
Andy Hall

Julia Glass
David Good
Ricky Gregory
Alexander Haley

Brenda Glascock
Joseph Goode
Kenneth Guill
Mary Hamlette

Shirley Glenn
Steve Gordon
Susan Guill
Dora Harris

Armstead Glover
Bill Granger
Gwen Guthrie
Robbie Harris

Frank Godbold
James Graves
Violet Guthrie
Larry Hailey



Robin Harrison
Chuck Hatcher
Connie Hatcher
Eddie Hatcher
Dwayne Hawkins
David Heath
Kim Henderson
William Henderson

Sandra Hendricks
Juanita Hicks
Aldora Hightower
Dianne Hill
Joyce Hill
Mary Hill
Delma Hodges
Stacy Hogan

Andrea Holeman
Branton Holland
Richard Holt
Paul Honeycutt
Dorothy Hubbard
Wanda Hubbard
Katie Hubble
Lydia Hudson



Juniors

Honor society inducts record number

It was a first: the largest number of junior inductees into the National Honor Society.

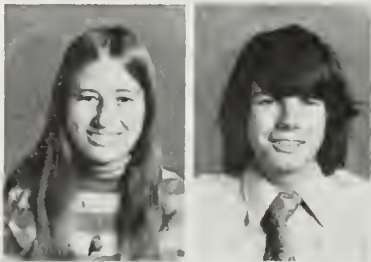
One of the highest honors a student can receive is induction into the NHS. Seventy-two juniors, chosen on the basis of leadership, scholarship, service, and character, became members in April, more than in any previous year.

Feelings varied as each junior sat in his seat wondering if he was to be tapped. As the chosen students were inducted, pride, elation and uncertainty registered on their faces as they struggled to get their gowns on and not to trip over them walking up to the stage.

With a lighted candle, each new member stood to be sworn in behind an old member, who was remembering how it was last year.

After the assembly, the new members went back to class, proudly wearing their honorary ribbons, symbol of their induction.

Nancy Hudson
Robert Hudson
Jackie Hunt
Richard Hunt
Terry Ingram



James Irby
Linda Irby
Connie Irvin
Furness Jackson
Kim Jackson



Shirley Jackson
Daryl Jacobs
Rufus Jeffress
Charles Jennings
Andrew Johnson



Vicki Johnson
Anthony Jones
Calvin Jones
Emma Jones
Randy Jones



Rebecca Jones
Terrie Jones
Wanda Jones
Shirley Jordan
Debra King
Mary King
Ronny King
Kay Kirby



Vanessa Kirby
Brenda Lacks
Mark Lacks
Bruce Lee
Gary Lehw
Carolyn Leigh
Derwin Leigh
Dane Lewis



Jo Ann Lewis
Gladys Link
Pricilla Link
Daphne Lloyd
Lindy Lloyd
Dennis Loftis
Glenn Loftis
Curtis Logan





Happy smile. Kenneth Guill beams as Howard Suit pins him, making him a new member of the National Honor Society.



Leslie Logan
Shari Logan
William Logan
Lawrence Long



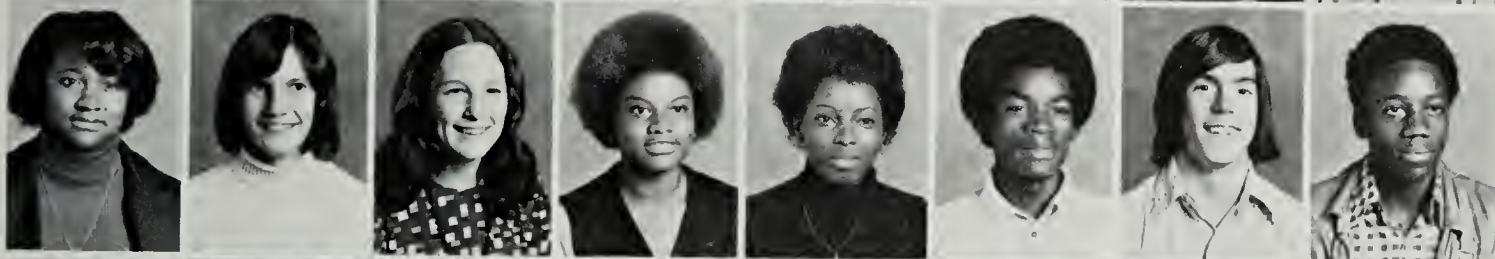
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James Lovelace
Amy Lowery
Ralph Lowery



Vicky Lowery
Shelby Lloyd
Patty Lynch
Carol McBride



Deborah McCargo
Dwight McCargo
Gloria McCargo
Carey McClure
Karen McCraw
Valerie McCraw
Wanda McDowell
Bill McLaughlin



Julie Malone
Marsha Marshburn
Kate Mapp
Agnes Marable
Brenda Marable
Ray Marable
Dean Marshall
John Marshall



Linda Marshall
Cheryl Martin
Jimmy Martin
Larry Martin
Martha Martin
Tommy Martin
Karen Meadows
Debra Medley



Jean Medley
Sheila Medley
Katherine Meeler
Betty Miller
Donnie Miller
Martha Miller
Morgan Miller
Scott Miller



This one! Keith Lacks decides on the class ring he wants.

Brenda Mills
Kathryn Moorefield
Wanda Oakes
Georgia Pannell
Diane Powell
Susan Puryear
Kelly Rebick

Cindy Mills
Pamela Morris
Linda O'Geary
Kevin Parton
Emily Powell
Charlene Ragland
Mike Reeves

William Mills
Ronald Morris
Brenda Oliver
Ella Patrick
Nelson Powell
William Ragland
Barbara Regar

Dinah Mitchell
Regina Morton
Karen Oliver
Carolyn Perkins
Susan Pruitt
Rosa Reamer
Caroline Reynolds

Donna Mitchell
Dwight Muse
Sandra Ondich
Rhonda Perry
Sara Pulliam
Beverly Reaves
Robin Rice

Brenda Moore
Mae Nelson
Robert Overstreet
Frances Piechota
Sherry Puryear
Lydia Reaves
Kenneth Richardson

Cathy Moore
Janet Newbill
Kenneth Owen
John Pinson

Denise Moore
Shorty Newton
Peggy Owen
Kent Poindexter

Teresa Moore
Pam Norman
Sara Palmer
Bernard Poole

Juniors

Prom, rings require decisions

Decisions! Decisions! Juniors have to make decisions.

First, juniors are confronted with what they plan to do after they graduate from high school. If a student plans to continue his education, it is just the beginning of a series of tests. The student advances from PSAT/NMSQT to SAT to ACH.

Other juniors who are not going to college have to make plans for the future also. They have to decide what they are going to do and where they are going to work.

In the spring, juniors have their long awaited dream come true — the ordering of classrings. Confusion sometimes creeps in when it comes to choosing a ring because of the variety of gems.

Another junior class decision is to select an appropriate theme for the Junior-Senior Prom. Themes are taken from all junior homerooms. Then, the really hard task comes: they have to select the best theme for their first prom. After the theme has been chosen, the decorating begins.



Wanda Richardson
Becky Riddle
Frank Ridgway
Shelby Rowland
Mary Seamster
Grace Simmons
Virginia Smith

Harold Roberts
Judy Rudd
Patsye Seamster
Nettie Simon
Tom Snead

Lucinda Robinson
Ronald Rudder
Roger Seamster
Macon Sizemore
Robin Snow

Wilbert Robinson
Tommy Rudder
Sue Seamster
Brenda Smith
Ronnie Snow

Sharon Roller
Martha Russell
Tim Seigla
Elsie Smith
Will Solomon

Sherry Roller
Brenda Sadler
Karen Shelton
James Smith
Susan Solomon

Scott Rotler
Kay Satterfield
Ramona Shepherd
Paige Smith
Mark Sompayrac

Ricky Rowland
David Schreffler
Mike Shortt
Sheryle Smith
Jesse Spencer

Anne Stephens
Jackie Talbott
Barbara Traynham
Barbara Vaughan



Cinder Stevens
Michael Taylor
Emily Tuck
Billy Vaughan



Donna Stevens
Jo Ann Terry
Jane Tuck
Cecil Vaughan



Kathy Stevens
Paul Terry
Lydia Tuck
Tina Vaughan



Hugh Stewart
Stanley Terry
Otis Tuck
Jacqueline Venable



Sylvia Stewart
Yvonne Thorpe
Ronnie Tucker
Danny Wagstaff



Brent Stokes
Brenda Throckmorton
Brenda Tuggle
David Walker



B. W. Stone
Pam Strange
Terrell Switzer
Drucilla Sydnor
Debra Torian
Hubert Vass
Charlotte Waller



Juniors

"Messing around" is popular

Just "messaging around" is what most juniors seem to do in their spare time, an informal survey indicated. "Messing around" can be anything from sitting in front of the TV to having a hot date on the weekend.

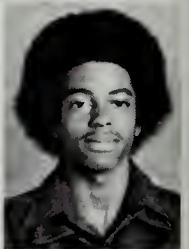
Most of the girls spend a great deal of their spare time working on getting a date for the weekend, or for anytime as a matter of fact. This is commonly referred to by most females as "schemin."

Of course, "schemin" is not all the girls do. Some of the most popular pastimes were records, TV, movies, picnics, swimming, listening to the radio and playing

a variety of sports. Annette Watts says she "plays softball and tennis, swims, dates and works" in her spare time while Kim Henderson "shows horses, lies in the sun, swims, plays the piano, watches TV and listens to David Bowie."

As for the guys, their most popular pastime seems to be "just riding around and looking for something to do." Their favorites were very much the same as the girls': record listening, TV watching and swimming.

Who knows, maybe all is not lost between the sexes. After all, everyone does his own thing in one way or another.





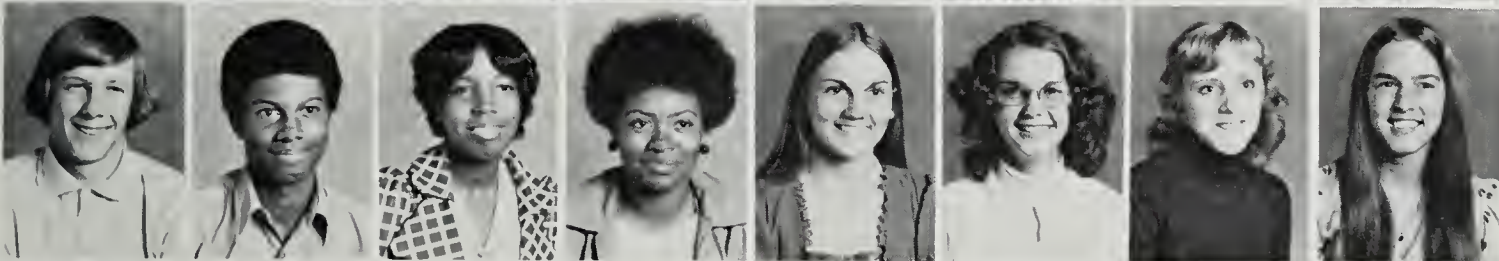
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Roland Watkins



Donna Watson
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Debra Wazeka
George Wazeka
Don Weatherford
Terry Weaver
Lofanza West
Sharon White



Susan Whitlow
Janet Whitt
Shiela Whitt
Tony Wilborn
Johnnie Wilkerson
Melanie Wilkerson
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Lee Wilkinson
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Cynthia Womack
Debbie Womack
Denise Womack
Joseph Womack



Marcia Womack
Robert Womack
William Womack
Pat Woody



Deborah Worsham
Cynthia Wyatt
Eugene Wyatt
Donna Yancy



Tammie Yancey
Mark Yates
Harry Yeaman
Don Yeatts

Doing nothing. While watching a tennis match, Terry Weaver and Kelly Rebick take part in a favorite pastime, "messaging around".

Curtis Adams
Elizabeth Adams
Tim Adams
Mark Adkins
Judy Allen
Pamela Ammons
Anthony Anderson
Kenneth Armstead



Janet Ashby
Darryl Bailey
Shirley Ballou
Daniel Barden
Darryl Barker
Dexter Barksdale
Earl Barksdale
Eddie Barksdale



Daniel Barnett
Heidi Benner
Jerrie Beverley
Susan Billingslea
Ramona Black
Brenda Blackstock
Mary Blanks
David Booker



Connie Bowen
Deborah Bowen
Debra Bowen
Ronnie Bowen
Debbie Bowman
Della Bowman
Lawrence Bowman
Marvin Bowman



Barbara Boyd
Ruby Boyd
Kenneth Brame



Brenda Brandon
Edward Brandon
Janice Brandon



Lorenzo Brandon
Vanessa Brandon
Cindy Breedlove



Thoughtful Expressions. Officers are
(bottom row) Terry Burkholder, president;
Vanessa Miles, treasurer; (top row) Beth
Guthrie, vice-president; Marshall Slayton,
sergeant-at-arms and Bonita Oakley, secretary.



Sophomores

'Upperclassmen make way for newcomers'

A madhouse! Everyone is running wild! The sophomores are here!

Juniors and seniors were promptly advised to make way for them, a group of stampeding sophomores that had just arrived. They invaded the school in an unorganized manner, scrambling everywhere, not actually having any destination. They were lost in a school larger than the one they had known before.

They all anticipated and even prayed for the end of that day, August 29, so that they could return to the quiet and solitude of their own homes. The thought of going through 179 more days like that scared them.

However, after a week or so, things that had seemed foreign, grew familiar. They were here for what would turn out to be a very short year, indeed. Those strange faces that stared on the first day now belonged to friends.

Danny Brizendine
Barbara Burton
Cornelia Cage
Stanley Carden

Ricky Brogden
Lucille Buster
Tim Canada
Brenda Carr

Shirley Mae Brooks
Alice Byrd
Evelyn Carden
Frances Carr

Terry Burkholder
John Cabaniss
Juanita Carden
Audrey Carrington

Jill Burnette
Joseph Cacciotti
Michele Carden
Darla Carrington

Ann Burrell
Charles Cage
Nancy Cardwell
Edward Carrington



James Carrington
Joyce Carrington
Phillip Carrington
Andrew Carter
Leon Carter
Willie Carter
Arlene Chambers
Prudence Chambers

Barbara Chandler
James Chappell
Peggy Chappell
Mike Childrey
Shirley Chrisp
Barbara Claiborne
Debbie Clark
Mark Clark

Otie Clark
Savannah Clark
Treva Clark
Jerome Clauden
Wanda Clay
David Cole
Pamela Cole
Terry Cole

Sophomores

Spencer takes first in area Spanish contest

Beth Spencer, a sophomore in her third year of Spanish, won first place in her division of the regional Spanish contest.

All participants in the contest were required to take the National Spanish Exam which was given at Chatham, Virginia on March 22. They were judged according to their grades on the exam.

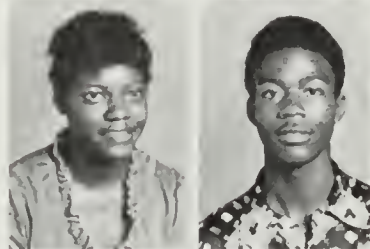
"The test was really hard and long. It made me feel so dumb! I was surprised that I even placed at all," commented Beth about the exam.

Beth plans taking all the Spanish she can. In the future she hopes to be able to visit a Spanish country where she could learn the language and the customs of the people by being in closer contact with them. She also aspires to possibly become a foreign exchange student to one of the Spanish-speaking countries. "I love anything Spanish," she said.

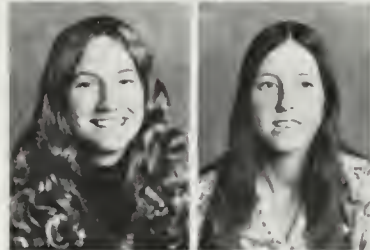
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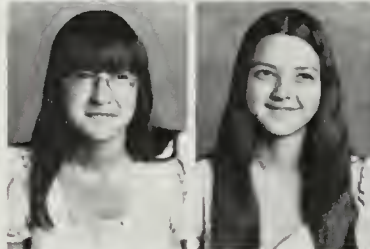
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Christine Davis



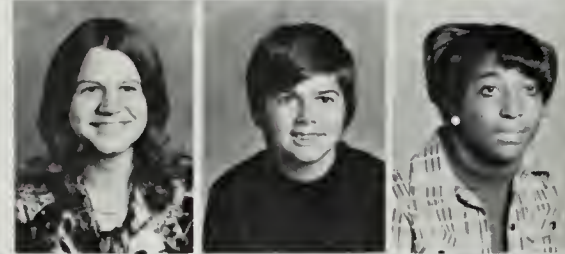
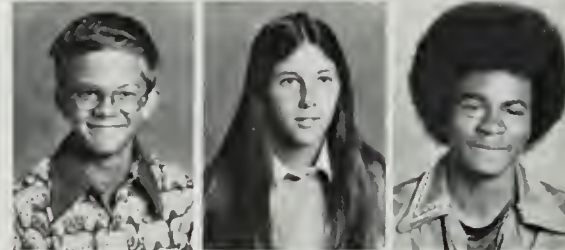
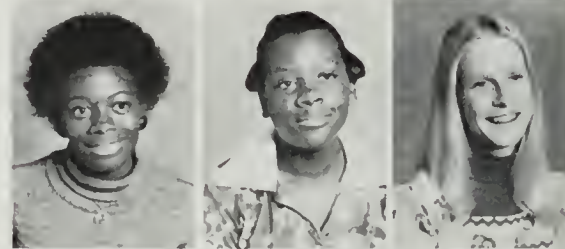
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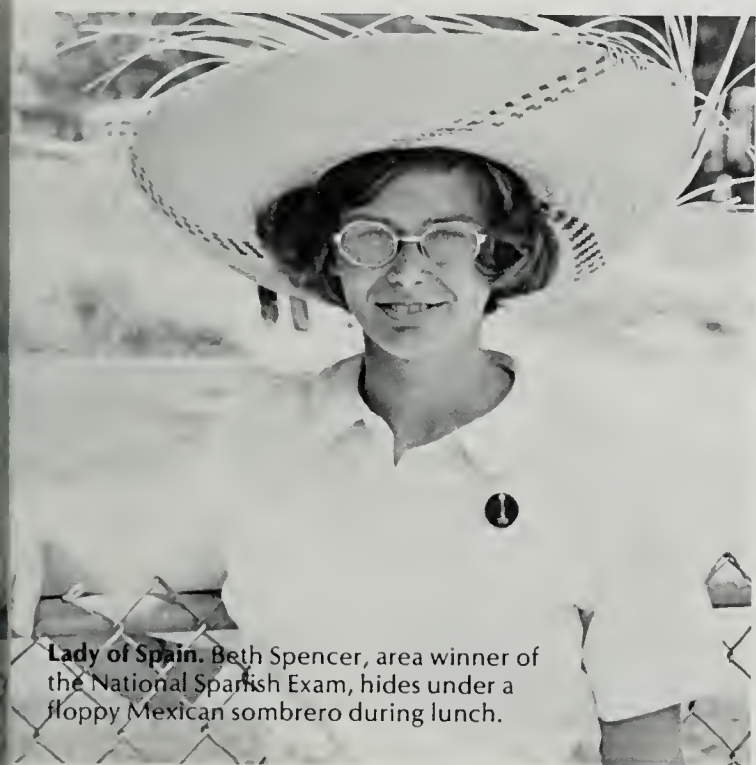


Mickie Dawson
Susan DeJarnette
Eva Dillard
Curtis Dismuke
Janet Dismuke
Johnny Dismuke
David Dixon
John Dixon



Veronica Dixon
Jackie Drunwright
Barbara Duffer
Ernest Dunkley
Elizabeth Dunn
Janet Eanes
Sandra Easley
William Easley





Lady of Spain. Beth Spencer, area winner of the National Spanish Exam, hides under a floppy Mexican sombrero during lunch.



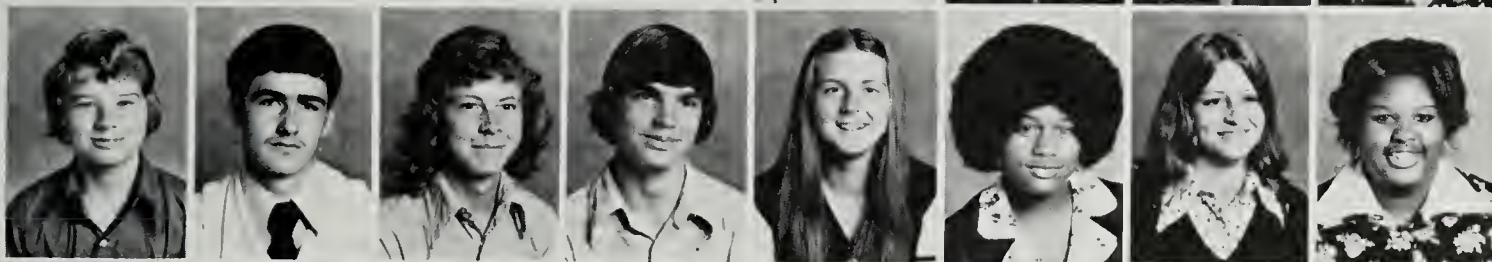
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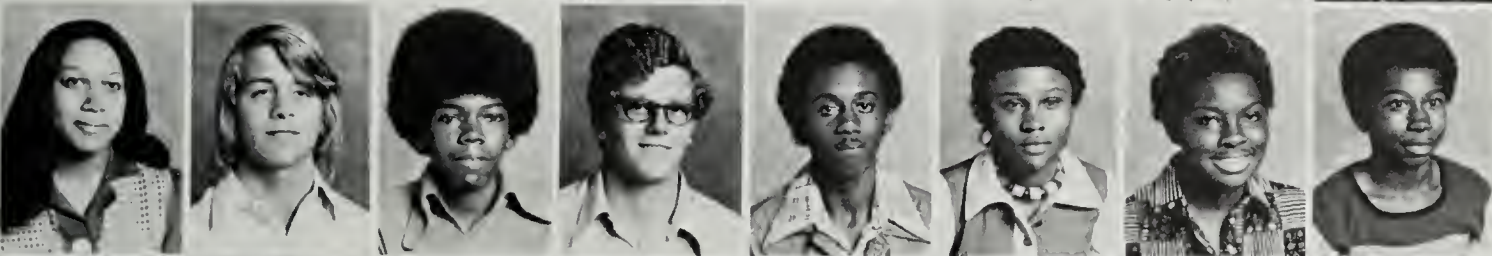
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Delores Farmer
James Farrington
Bernita Faulkner
Melvern Faulkner
Natalie Faulkner
Donnie Fears
Howard Featherstone
Dodson Felton



Arnetta Fergus
Dean Ferguson
Wayne Ferguson
William Ferguson
Giles Ferrell
Rosa Marie Ferrell
Shelia Ferrell
Tim Ferrell



Debra Fisher
Floyd Fisher
James Fisher
Teresa Fisher
Kevin Fitz
Patrice Fitzgerald
Linda Fletcher
Patti Ford

Deborah Forest
Donna Forlines
Kimberly Fowler
Bonnie Francis
David Francis
Jimmy Francis
Loretha Fuller
Sarah Fuller



Deborah Garland
John Garland
Anita Ghee
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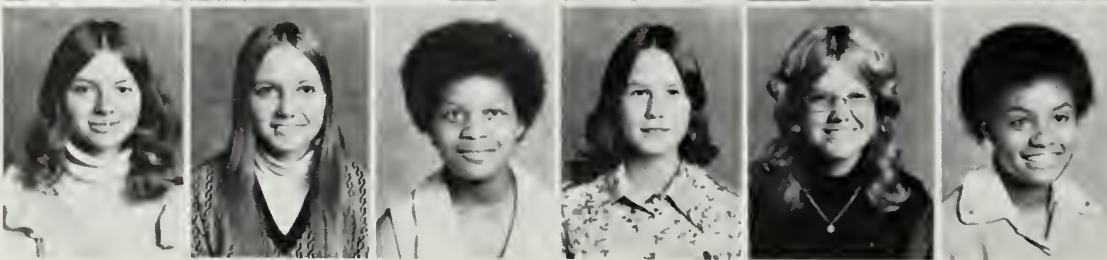
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David Guthrie
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Elma Guy
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Debbie Hall
Shelby Hamilton



Sophomores

Students become 'movie stars'

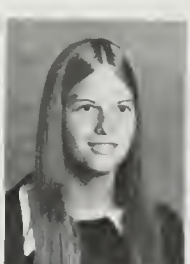
A TV movie was in the making in Room 270 early in June. Mr. David Dunn's English 10A classes' oral book reports were video-taped.

The reports, as Mr. Dunn put it, were "mostly skits or assuming the identity of a central character." Each report was video-taped and later shown to the class.

Although this wasn't the first time reports were acted out, it was the first as far as the video-taping. All four classes participated, at least in part. For various reasons, some students did not choose to display their talent.

Reports ranged from a character sketch of Huckleberry Finn to a reinactment of "Of Mice and Men."





Carolyn Hammock
Linda Hankins
Denise Hardie
Lori Harmon
Frankie Harper
Debra Harris
Donna Harris
Sharon Harris



Aileen Harrison
Deborah Harrison
Clarence Hartridge
Dwayne Hatten
Cheryl Haymes
Helen Haymes
Gregory Hazelwood
Alfred Hendricks



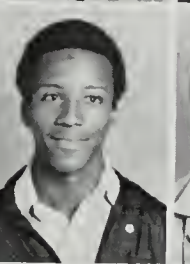
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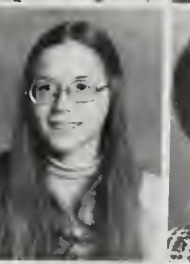
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Courtney Humphrey
Doug Hutherson
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David Ingram
Mary Ingram
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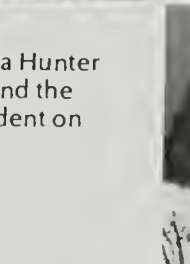
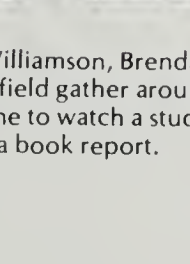
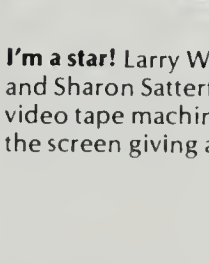
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Deborah Jenkins
Vicky Jenkins



Bonnie Jennings
Carol Jennings
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Lillian Jennings
Ricky Jennings
John Johnson

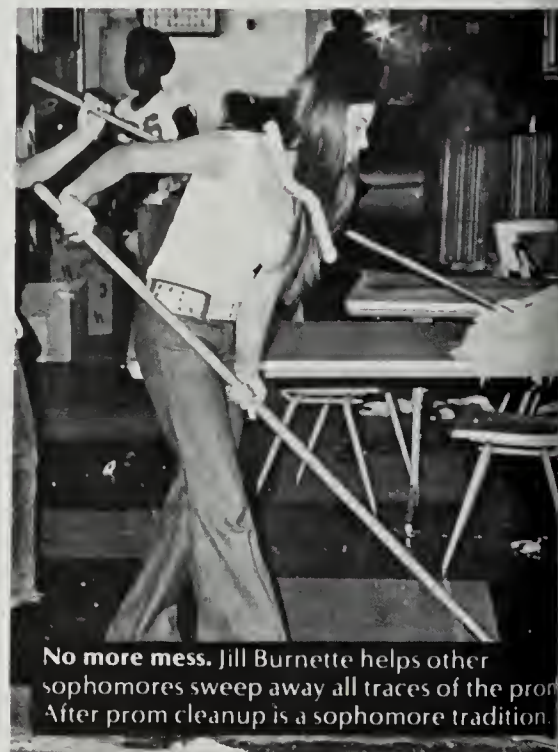


Carolyn Jones
Jerry Jones
Ramah Jones
Roland Jones
Wanda Jones
Wanda Jones



Mary Jordon
Doug Keesee
Ione Kell

I'm a star! Larry Williamson, Brenda Hunter and Sharon Satterfield gather around the video tape machine to watch a student on the screen giving a book report.



No more mess. Jill Burnette helps other sophomores sweep away all traces of the prom. After prom cleanup is a sophomore tradition.

Jean Kelly
Randy Lacks
Barbara Lewis
Shirley Logan
Veronica Majors
Kenneth Martin
Sharon McCargo

Jeffrey Kelly
Rickie Lacks
Debra Lewis
Connie Long
Maurice Marable
Robert Martin
Steve Meadows

Anita Kipps
Jill Lacy
Ethel Lewis
Jacqueline Long
Albert Martin
Donna Matherly
Calvin Medley

Marilyn Kirby
Shirley Lancaster
Harvey Lipscomb
Carroll Lovelace
Edward Martin
James Matthews
Cornelius Medley

Timmy Knowlson
Linda Landes
Keith Ligon
David Lovelace
Jeff Martin
Tom Mays
Larry Medley

Sherman La Prade
Darid Landrum
Henry Loftis
Robert Lowery
Jenny Martin
Gwendolyn McBride
Carolyn Miles

Barbara Lacks
Katherine Langston
Tim Loftis
Shelia Lovelace

Janet Lacks
Cynthia Lawson
Kenneth Logan
Vicki Lowery

Keith Lacks
Eugene Lee
Patricia Logan
Audrey Lynch

Sophomores

Demolition crew works in rapid time



Demolition crews consisting of sophomores invaded the gym early Saturday morning April 26. Their job was to tear down what was left hanging or lying after the previous night's prom.

Sophomores, unlike many upperclassmen, held no sentimental values for the "trash" scattered not only throughout the gym, but also in the lobby. Because of their indifferent attitudes, they tore down the withered decorations out of mere obligation. The demolition crew crudely ripped out staples and

tore down streamers. The once silver lake became a mass of foil.

After little over an hour's work every trace of the starlit "Midnight in Hawaii" had disappeared except for a few scraps of paper that might have successfully hidden themselves from view in some secluded corner. Possibly for some upperclassman, memories might still linger in the quiet gym. Though for the sophomore demolition crew the well-cleaned gym with its familiar basketball goals and bleachers only meant that their task was complete.



Deborah Miller	Deborah Mize	Wayne Mabins	Dan Monette	Kelly Moore	Roger Moore	Mary Moorefield	Nell Moorefield
Linda Miller	John Morgan	Angela Morris	Frieda Morris	Mona Morris	Shelia Morris	Gloria Mosley	Shelia Morton
Vanessa Miles	John Murphy	Martha Murphy	Carl Myers	William Myers	Ollie Newman	Eric Newton	Forrest Nichols
Jenny Morgan	Shelia Norwood	Sherri Nunn	Donald Oakes	Donna Oakes	Bonita Oakley	Linda O'Garrett	Anthony Overton
Kimberly Murray	Jerry Owen	John Owen	Shelia Parks	Flossie Patrick	Patricia Parson	Susann Paulette	Diana Payne
Jerry Noblen							
Elizabeth Osborne							

Janice Penick
Lemuel Powell
Henry Puryear
Donna Rice



Michael Penick
Marshello Powell
Kurt Puryear
Kenneth Rice



Mildred Penick
Martha Powell
John Quarles
Ronald Rice



Barbara Perkins
Mary Powell
Lester Reaves
David Richardson



Catherine Perkins
Willard Powell
Lillian Reaves
Donald Ridgeway



JoAnne Perkins
Debra Pridgeon
Cathy Redd
Phillip Rinker



Earl Perry
Jeffrey Pruitt
Teresa Redd
Lois Roberson



Gina Poindexter
Paul Pool
Kathy Poole
Kenneth Powell
Les Puckett
Brenda Rice
Gloria Roberts



Sophomores

Library unit helps 'lost' find way

"Sophomore English teachers take for granted what students already know about the library," Mr. David Dunn said when he introduced a library unit to his students. "And most of the time we're wrong."

To help the situation, the teachers established a mini-course for all sophomores. It included a review of items such as the card catalogue and "Reader's Guide" and introduced the concept of independent study.

The library was covered from reference to fiction in hopes that the students would add to whatever they already knew about the library. After about a week of learning, the English stu-

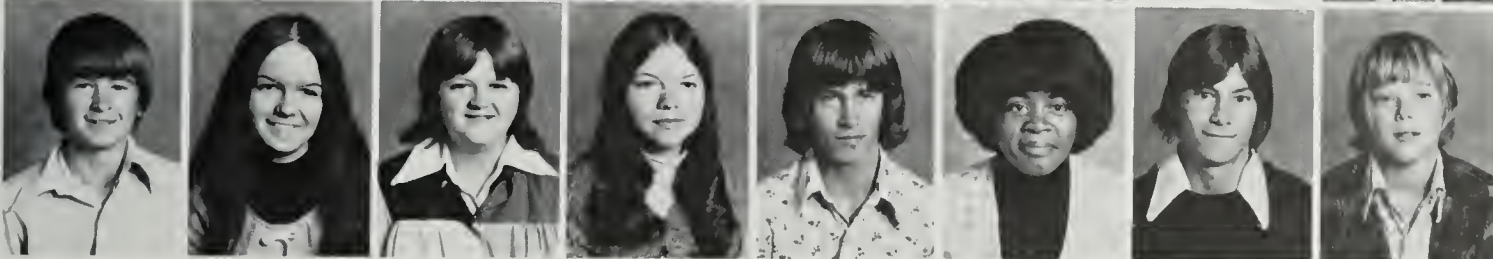
dents of Mr. Dunn were given a "contract" containing questions which they were to answer, using only help from the books and articles in the library. This "contract" was graded and given back. The unit helped students in further use of the library and to many it showed they hadn't had sufficient knowledge of the library before the course.

"Students need an introduction to the library and review work," Mr. Dunn said. "And thanks to the sophomore English teachers, librarians Miss Frances Woltz and Mrs. Thelma Crowder, a lot of students will not find themselves lost once they walk into a library."





Parthenia Robertson
William Robertson
Dawn Rogers
Rhonda Rottler
Belinda Satterfield
Sharon Satterfield
Thomas Satterfield
Jimmie Saunders



Phillip Saunders
Teresa Saunders
Deborah Seamster
Patty Seamster
Joe Seigla
Juanita Senior
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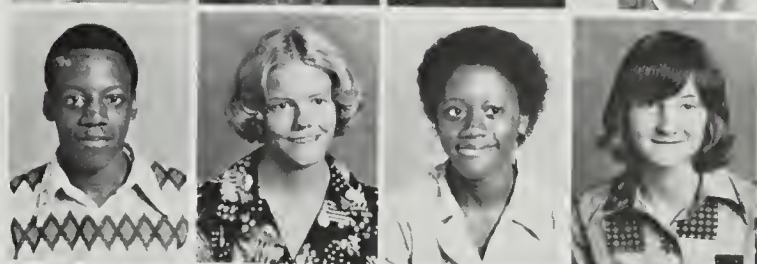
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Edward Snead
Pamela Snead
Cecil Snooddy
Kathy Snow



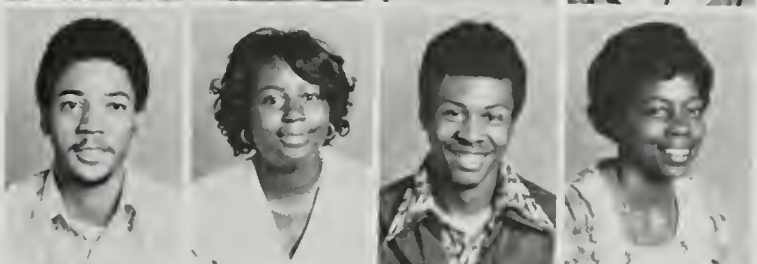
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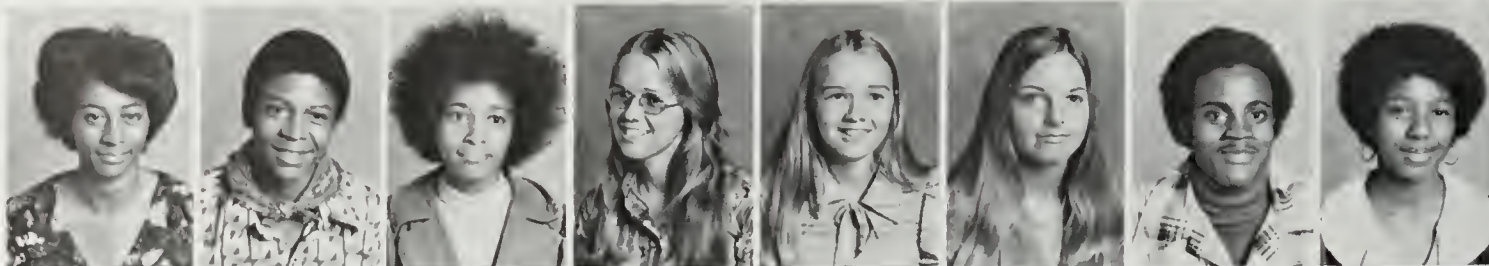
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Karen Stevens
Eric Stewart
Barbara Stone



Roosevelt Stone
Doris Stovall
George Stovall
Gladys Stovall

Two researching. While Sharon McCargo copies the author's name from the card catalogue, the Indian statue scans the library.

Martha Stovall
Vincent Stovall
Vivian Stovall
Donna Talbott
Sandy Talbott
Sherry Talbott
David Tanner
Denise Taylor



Karen Taylor
Laverne Taylor
Leon Terry
Kimmy Terry
Venus Terry
Emmis Thomas
Richard Thompson
Kay Throckmorton



Kenneth Throckmorton
Joyce Towler
Loretta Trayham
Marvis Trent
Mark Trickey
Gerald Tuck
Mary Tuck
Deborah Tucker



Deborah Tucker
Pam Tucker
Helen Tulloh
Randy Tune
Frank Turman
Deborah Vassar
Wanda Vaughan
Gregory Wade



Sandra Wade
Dale Walker
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Gertrude Watkins
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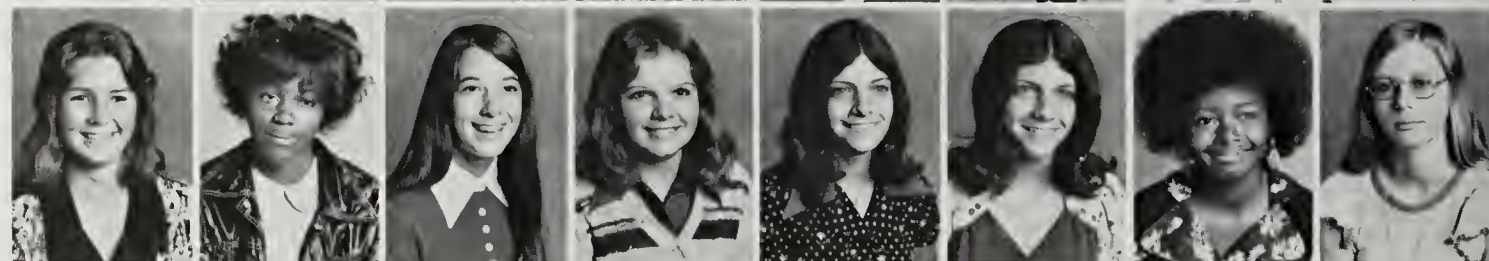
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David Wehrenberg
Deborah Wells
Toni Wells



Donna White
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Danny Wilborn
Tim Wilborn
Charlene Wilborne
Cheryl Wilborne



Linda Wilborne
Deborah Wilkins
JoAnne Wilkins
Catherine Wilkinson
Deena Williams
Donna Williams
Joyce Williams
Patricia Williams





Sandra Williams
Cheryl Wilson
Mike Wood
Ladonna Wyatt

Judy Williamson
Cheryl Wilson
Hilda Woody
Vernon Wyatt

Larry Williamson
Dean Womack
Corwin Word
Henry Yancey

Deborah Wilmouth
James Womack
Scot Worsham
Robert Yarborough

Sandra Wilmouth
Kenneth Womack
Barry Wright
Cheryl Young

Charlie Wilson
Richard Womack
Valerie Wright
Virginia Younger

Test tube wonders. Test tubes in hand, Eric West, Stanley Carden and Keister Coleman employ the new system used by the special biology classes involving mainly lab work.



Sophomores

Class shuns talk, stresses test tubes

Basic and remedial biology students have beat the system. They do not have to sit in class and listen to the teacher lecture every day.

I. I. S. (Ideas and Investigations in Science) is the new approach to teaching biology used now. Mrs. Catherine Overstreet, one of three teachers of the special class, stated, "It's entirely an inquiry approach. The teacher doesn't lecture and give out information."

Mrs. Overstreet teaches five of the classes, Mr. John Marsella teaches five and Miss Diane Eberly teaches four.

Mrs. Overstreet added, "The student does a series of activities, nearly all laboratory."



It was the end



Mr. Frank Chaffin, Assistant Superintendent

Pleasant job. One of the happiest duties of Superintendent of Schools Udy C. Wood is to present diplomas to graduates like Gail Collie at Commencement. Mr. Wood is assisted by Principal L. M. Venable.



Policy pose. The Board of Control approves policy for the high school. They are **(seated)** Mr. Udy C. Wood; Mr. Al Burkholder, chairman; **(standing)** Mr. Garland Childrey; Mr. George Smith and Mr. Thomas McDowell. The Board meets monthly in Halifax.



It was the end of a dream. And it came on a 6-1 vote. The County Board of Supervisors voted in March not to fund the construction of the \$11.5 million new high school.

With that vote, over five years of planning by School Board members, staff and administrators went down the drain. Students and teachers would now have to continue to cope with a building hopelessly overcrowded. Updated vocational education, while not killed (the Supervisors did vote to add vocational facilities at the present school site), was delayed as new plans and surveys

of a dream: it died on a 6-1 vote



were called for. So, once again, the educational needs of the students were not met.

The School Board had done its best, but the project failed. The reason most loudly proclaimed was the failing economy. But future local historians will give the final evaluation, certainly not present yearbook staffs or local newspapers.

So what does a School Board do when its dream vanishes? It shows its regrets and then goes on about its business of running a school system. After all, dreams fade; reality is an every day thing.

Mr. Julian Harrison, Director of Transportation

DON'T 'CUT-DOWN' YOUR SCHOOL

Principal points out
in speech to seniors on Class Day

How good is HCSH? What has it accomplished? Dr. L. M. Venable described its good points on Class Day. He said that he was tired of hearing it "cut-down."

"Although there are faults within the school, as there are in any school, much can be said in HCSH's favor. This school is one of a select few who can boast of three National Merit finalists in one year. How many schools with such a varied student body, representing practically every socio-economic position can make such a statement? Very few, indeed," he said.

"We're also proud to have two students planning to attend the United States Military Academy at West Point. As each U.S. Senator or Congressman cannot have more than five at the Academy at any time, two from one school in the same year is quite an accomplishment," he added.

Dr. Venable also described the achievements in the sports program. "In two sports, basketball and baseball, the teams reached state-level competition. The basketball

team advanced to the state final, while the baseball team reached the semi-final game. A total of four teams reached state-level competition and for one school to do this with a team in two sports is excellent. And in basketball it was our third year in state competition," he explained.

"And what school has a band as fine as ours? This year's band won a superior rating at the Band Festival held in Radford, a first for this band. What an accomplishment for a band supposedly in a 'slack' year," Dr. Venable added.

"Not many would dispute that we have one of the finest journalism departments in the nation. The "Star," our newspaper, won its eleventh Medalist rating from the Columbia Scholastic Press Association while the "Haliscopes," won its ninth medalist," he said.

Dr. Venable concluded, "Halifax County Senior High School should be proud of its many accomplishments. It is indeed, one of a select few in the state of Virginia and in the nation "



Mr. Carl Furches
Assistant Principal



Mr. Harry Wilson
Assistant Principal



Principals wait. Watching seniors rehearse for graduation exercises in the hot sun are assistant principals Mr. Larry Clark and Mr. Bill Vanney.



On guard. Dr. L. M. Venable keeps a close eye on students to see that their attention doesn't wander during the Awards Assembly.



Mr. Larry Clark
Assistant Principal



Mr. Bill Vanney
Assistant Principal

TEACHERS WEAR LEATHER JACKETS^{as they} exchange chalk dust for greasepaint



Go get 'em! Drama occurs when Coach Randolph Perry and Coach Ron Ramsey give playing advice to Gerald Lovelace during a crisis at the Patrick Henry game.



All alone. Directing is a very lonely job for Mrs. Barden as she critically observes the second act of "Rock 'n' Roll."

Teachers on stage? Of course they are. Every time Mr. Lawson lectures on World War II battles, Mr. Davis demonstrates a new lab technique or Miss Ford reads the poetry of Frost, they give a performance.

A few go even farther. They become involved in school and community theatre.

By far, the most hilarious faculty acting as far as students were concerned came when Mr. David Dunn, Mr. Gary Waynick and Mr. Jerry Marsella swaggered on stage as motorcycle hoods in the school musical "Rock 'n' Roll." Their monosyllable dialogue, grunts and scratchings brought down the house. The student applause and screams of laughter filled the gym for two performances.

"Playing the gang leader of the 'wheels' in the play was a lot of fun," Mr. Dunn said. "In college I fooled around with drama quite a bit and it felt good to get involved again. My students got a kick out of it too. They had no idea

that a poetry reading English teacher could also be a cycle bum," he said. "They looked at me differently after that and applauded when I came into the classroom."

The motorcycle trio was persuaded to perform by Mrs. Nancy Barden, director of the musical. But Mrs. Barden didn't confine her theatrical talents to directing. She acted also and played the leading role of Reno Sweeney in the Little Theatre's fall production of "Anything Goes."

Mrs. Barden even dyed her hair a brighter color for the part. "It grew out in about a month, though," she said.

Another teacher in the Cole Porter musical was physical ed. instructor Mr. Chris Dunn. He sang, danced and acted. "Rehearsals took up an awful lot of time but being in community plays sure is a good way to meet new people," the young bachelor said.

Grease paint. It gets into some teacher's blood as much as chalk dust does.



Tough guys. In "Rock 'n' Roll," the school musical, members of 'Da Wheels' Mr. David Dunn and Mike Taylor stick up for their buddy Mr. Gary Waynick who was filling in for Mr. John Marsella.



Mr. Tom Aiken: Speech, English 11, World Literature

Mrs. Freeda Akers: Shorthand, Business Education Department Chairman

Mr. Jim Albright: ICT 11, 12, VICA

Mr. George Anderson: Agriculture III

Mrs. Martha Avery: P.E. 10, 11-12, Gymnastics and Girls' Track Coach

Mrs. Corlys Ballou: English 10

Miss Bessie Bandy: Reading Improvement, English 10

Mrs. Nancy Barden: Drama, English 11, Play Director

Mr. Tom Berry: Government, JV Football Coach

Miss Helen Blow: Recordkeeping, General Business

Mr. Andrew Bohannon: Audio-visuals Director, A-V Club

Mr. Archie Bohannon: DE III, DECA, DE Department Chairman

Mrs. Elizabeth Brade: Typing I

Mrs. Elodia Brade: Guidance

Miss Mary Brooks: Plane Geometry, Algebra II, National Honor Society

Mrs. Deborah Burchette: Special Education

Mr. Frank Burwell: Art I, Arts and Crafts Club, Chairman Junior Sponsors

Mr. Maurice Bush: Black Studies

Mr. Charlie Cage: English 10

Mr. Jim Cardwell: Agriculture II, Agriculture Business, Agriculture Department Chairman

Mrs. Anne Cochran: P.E. 10, Girls' Tennis Coach

Mrs. Helen Coleman: General Business, Business Math

Mrs. Ann Conner: English 12, English Department Chairman

Mrs. Nancy Conner: PSC Geometry, Math 10, FTA

EXPRESSIONS BECOME TRADEMARKS

of teachers
at school
who continuously say them in class

Different teachers have different teaching methods. Also, many use pet expressions to prove a main point.

Mr. John Johnston lets the students learn to help themselves. He offers examples and gives advice; however, the students do the actual work.

"Right! Good point, Miss Cage," are a couple of Mr. Patrick Davis' favorite expressions. His teaching method offers the class a chance for open discussions. Also, he shows films to go along with the discussions.

A saying which Mrs. Martha Penick is famous for is "Let's start with our vocabulary books." She believes in having her students prac-

tice what she teaches.

Miss Mary Brooks affectionately speaks to her students as such, "Sweetie, you are so assinine! My cat is smarter than you!" Another favorite of hers is "the blind leading the blind."

"Minus 10," says Mrs. Lissie McClam every time one of her art students misbehaves. She, also, allows her classes a great amount of freedom for expressing their emotions in art.

The typing teacher Mrs. Othella Dillard asks her class everyday, "How'd you do — good, bad, or indifferent?" Mr. Gary Waynick encourages his students to do their best with a familiar expression, "That's okay, but try a little harder."



Art critics. Miss Frances Woltz points to prints loaned to the library for display by the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts as art teachers Mr. Frank Burwell and Mrs. Lissie McClam give their opinion.



Miss Suzanne Creasy: Special Education, Talent Show Sponsor
Mr. John Crittenden: P.E. 10, 11-12, Assistant Varsity Football Coach



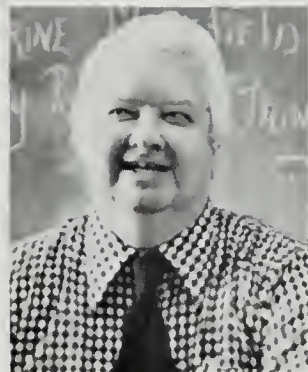
Miss Diane Eberly: Biology
Mrs. Carolyn Elliott: Biology, Physical Science

Mrs. Thelma Crowder: Librarian, Hi-Y Club
Mrs. Annie B. Daniel: Home Ec. III



Mrs. Sonya Falls: English 11, Chairman Senior Sponsors
Miss Cheryl Ferguson: Art II

Mrs. Willie Daniel: Typing I
Mrs. Tammy Daniels: American History



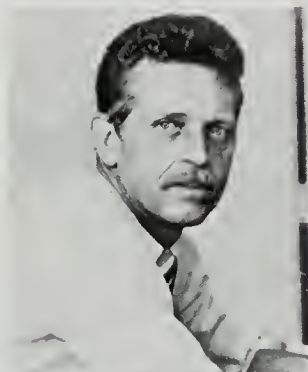
Mr. Richard Fitz: Journalism I, Journalism II, "Haliscope" Adviser, "Star" Adviser
Mrs. Mary Fletcher: Recordkeeping, Bookkeeping

Mrs. Mary Davis: Consumer Chemistry, Physical Science, Science Department Chairman
Mr. Patrick Davis: American History, Government



Miss Margie Ford: English 10
Mrs. Glennis Greenwood: Home Ec. II, Home Ec. IV, Home Ec. Department Chairman

Mrs. Othella Dillard: Typing I
Mr. Chris Dunn: P.E. 10, Cross Country Coach



Mr. Henry Harrison: Mechanical Drawing, Drafting, Vocational Director
Mrs. Barbara Haugh: Guidance

Mr. David Dunn: English 10, English 11, "Galaxy" Adviser
Mr. Elvin Dyer: P.E. 10, Assistant Varsity Basketball Coach



Miss Mildred Henderson: Algebra I, Algebra II
Miss Elizabeth Hester: Family Living

FROM MUSIC WRITING TO HIKING

teacher's
interests
range the spectrum of lively activity

Teachers' main hobbies and interests range from writing music to collecting sport cars.

The music writer is Mr. Samuel Riddle. "I'm a music buff and collect rock records," he said. "I enjoy all sports, especially ice-hockey," he added. "Another hobby which I don't particularly enjoy is cleaning up after my dog." "I play guitar and drums," he said. "I'd like to take up synthesizer but it's too expensive."

Miss Mary Brooks' favorite pastime is reading. She commented, "I enjoy listening to classical music, fishing, and hiking." She added, "I also like to play bridge."

Mr. Tom Aiken plays the piano for a musical Christian band called Sonshine. He said, "I usually don't

have much spare time. Band practices take up a good bit of my leisure time." Also, Mr. Aiken likes making pottery, swimming and tennis.

When asked what his main hobby is, Mr. John Johnston replied, "Golf." Then he laughed, "I spend all of my money on golf."

Mr. Bill Moore also is a golfer. He enjoys sport cars as well. "Before I got married I liked to buy cars, now I look at them," he laughed. "Before I was married I had a Thunderbird, Buick, Corvette, two Grand Prix, Volkswagen and Maverick. Now I have a Volkswagen."

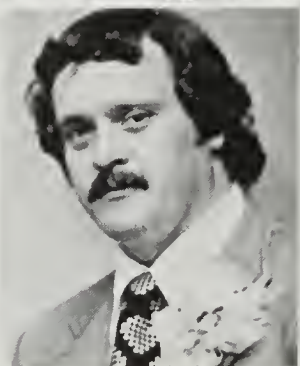
Mrs. Eunice Holt enjoys working with ceramics. She teaches a Sunday school class and sings in the church choir. She sews and collects stamps too.

Mr. Archie Bohannon laughed when asked his interests. "Trying to break 90 in golf." He added, "I enjoy following college and professional football and basketball too."

Watching cartoons in her pajamas on Saturday morning is a favorite pastime of Mrs. Pam Latt. "My favorites," she says, "are Captain Marvel and Land of the Lost." She usually watches a lot of TV since it's something she doesn't have to think for.

Mr. Leander Zook jokingly said, "I do everything on my VW, except inspect it." Mr. Zook practices with the Halifax Community Choral and attends Bible study in Danville.

Occasionally Mr. Zook reads a magazine but never watches TV. "I have better things to do," he said.



Mr. Robert Holmes: Refresher Math
Mrs. Eunice Holt: Sociology, American History, Economics

Mr. Terry Holt: World History, American History
Mr. Joe Hyatt: Guidance, Head Baseball Coach, JV Football Coach

Mr. James Ivey: DE I, DE II, DECA

Tear it down. Taking down prom decorations preoccupies the mind of sophomore sponsor Mr. David Lawson. Teachers pitch in to help when their students have a chore to do.



Mr. John Johnston: Algebra III,
Trigonometry, Introductory Analysis,
Math 10, Chairman Math Department,
National Honor Society

Mr. Terry Jones: World of Manufactur-
ing, Metal Working

Mr. Currie Lacks: Agriculture Shop

Mrs. Rae Lantor: Guidance

Mrs. Pam Latt: English 10

Mr. David Lawson: American History,
SCA Sponsor

Mr. Wayne Lloyd: Driver Training,
Head Varsity Basketball Coach

Mrs. Lissie McClam: Art I, Art III,
Art IV, Arts and Crafts Club, Art
Department Chairman

Mr. Jerry Marsella: Biology,
Wrestling Coach

Mr. Bristol Martin: Driver Training,
Head Track Coach

Mrs. Emily Martin: Biology

Miss Frances Mitchell: P.E. 10, Girls'
Basketball Coach, Chairman Girls'
Physical Education Department

Mr. Bill Moore: ICT 11, ICT 12,
Cheerleading Sponsor, Chairman ICT
Department, VICA

Mrs. Rose Murray: Guidance, Medical
Careers Club

Mrs. Kathy Overstreet: Biology

Mr. George Paige: Wood Working,
World of Construction

Mrs. Ista Palmer: Office Practice,
Business Math, FBLA

Mr. Leon Palmer: Recordkeeping,

General Business, Talent Show Sponsor

Mr. Wayne Palmer: Agriculture II, IV,
V, FFA

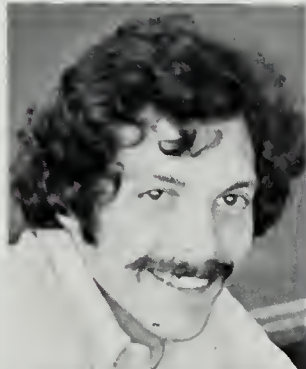
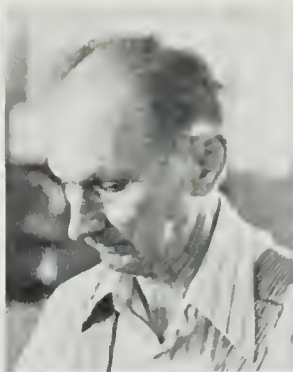
Mrs. Martha Penick: English 11

Mr. Randolph Perry: Special Education,
Varsity Football Coach, Wrestling
Coach

Mr. Tyrone Powell: Driver Training,
Baseball Coach

Miss Shiann Price: English 12

Mr. Wilton Ragland: Attendance
Counselor





Woman's libber. Liberated Ms. Barbara Haugh, first year guidance counselor, dresses fashionably and suitably to her new title in her jacket pants outfit.



Corduroy teacher. Miss Brenda Richardson sits in the teacher's lounge checking French vocabulary drills in her stylish corduroy blazer.

Mr. Ron Ramsey: P.E. 11-12, Varsity Football Coach, Assistant Track Coach, Chairman Boys' Physical Education Department

Miss Brenda Richardson: French I, II, III, French Club

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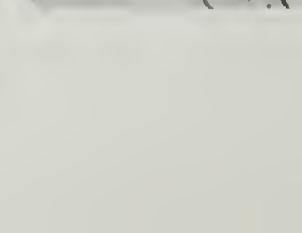
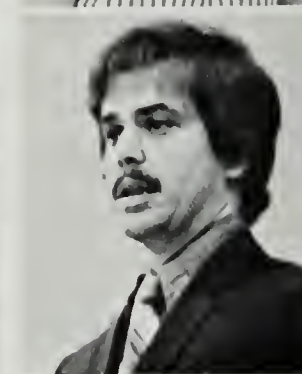
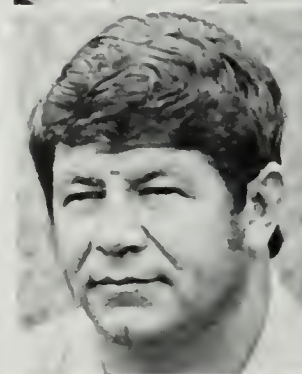
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FASHION MINDED

TEACHERS exhibit latest

styles in wardrobe and accessories

Students were not the only ones caught up in fashion trends; teachers got in the act too, as much as their budgets would allow.

Mr. Franklin Burwell, a fashion conscious art teacher, commented it was "pretty rough" dressing well on a teacher's salary because of the high cost of clothing. He suggested it would be more appropriate for him to wear jeans due to the messiness created in art.

"Fashion depends mainly on what's comfortable for the individual," said Mrs. Carolyn Wagner, English teacher. She added that she was influenced by student fashion in that she wears jeans at home.

Another English teacher, Miss Bessie Bandy, feels it is not necessary to dress fashionably; rather, it depends on the taste of the individual.

Fashionable Latin teacher Mr. Gary Waynick doesn't think it is easy to dress fashionably on the salary of a teacher because of the high cost of clothing. He commented that he was influenced by students in casual and sportswear but he doesn't believe students are influenced by faculty fashions.

Mr. Terry Holt, history teacher, finds it easy to dress on a school teacher's salary because he buys most of his clothes on sale.



At ease. Mr. Gary Waynick, dressed in his plaid slacks and coordinating sports jacket, leans back, relaxes and forgets about Latin for awhile.



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Mrs. Diane Oakes, Miss Bonnie Thomas, Mrs. Marilyn Overby and Miss Mary Breeden. Their job includes typing and record keeping.

Though often forgotten, the secretarial, custodial and cafeteria staffs are important gears in the school's engine.

Students have the misconception that all the secretaries do is sit in their air-conditioned working quarters and give them a hard time whenever they try to check out. However, the secretaries do much more than this. They fold letters, greet visitors, handle routine office calls, total rental fees, type memos and college transcripts for guidance counselors and letters for the principals.

What would the school look like if it weren't for the custodial staff? They spend their days (and nights) pushing brooms, polishing floors and powering lawn mowers and hedge clippers in order to keep the school and its grounds immaculate. Visitors to the school invariably comment on how clean and nice everything looks.

Just imagine how it would be if there were no cafeteria workers to prepare menus for all the starving students who wait "patiently" in line for their meals. The cafeteria staff is also responsible for preparing many banquet meals for school clubs and outside groups.

Without these important gears, the school would be powerless.



Mrs. Debra Dyer, Study hall supervisor

Miss Cynthia Kendricks, Study hall supervisor

Cafeteria staff. (Standing) Mrs. Nora Clark, manager; Mrs. Faye Wilbourne; Mrs. Brenda Webster; Mrs. Eva Bates; Mrs. Novella Clay; Mrs. Jearleen Howerton **(seated)** Mrs. Catherine Gosney; Mrs. Adell Conner; Mrs. Charlotte Holt; Mrs. Elvira Howerton; Mrs. Anna Moorman; Mrs. Emily Woody and Mrs. Agnes Anderson.



High school! In her best telephone voice, Mrs. Carol Howerton answers a call for one of the assistant principals.

Inventory time. Mrs. Jean Hunter of the library staff checks closely the library shelves to see if all books have been returned.

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Late winter landscape. Country living at its best can be found in all the communities of Halifax County. Mr. R. L. Harris and Mr. Charles Wilkerson built their homes in the News Ferry area.

Street scene. Downtown South Boston boasts a variety of businesses that offer shoppers everything from clothes to school supplies.





The old depot at Paces.

A summer day in the country near Union.



New school issue splits county

By Caroline Harrell

Clover, Scottsburg, Crystal Hill, Republican Grove, Virgilina, Drysburg . . . These are just a few of the independent communities in Halifax County.

And independent they are, too. Many have their own police "force" and/or fire departments, community centers, and so forth. Residents are proud to belong to their respective communities. Woe be it to anyone who confuses Clover with Scottsburg or gets Crystal Hill and Vernon Hill mixed up.

Several of the communities boast claims to fame. Republican Grove in 1968 was one of the key precincts to watch for in the national elections. With five registered voters, its four to one vote in favor of Nixon foresaw his victory. Nathalie, on the other hand, has the largest mail route in the United States with over 8,000 people dependent on it.

Because of the diversity of the county's populus, Halifax County is not the most "closely knit" of rural communities. Recently, it has been split due to the new

school controversy.

Debate over the school divided the area in several ways. First, the city and county people argued, then county people argued among themselves as did the "city folks." Next, the ardent supporters battled with hard-nosed opposition. Unfortunately for the students who must go to school at HCSH, the latter won.

It will probably be remembered as the "one that wasn't." After months of debate and indecision, the Board of Supervisors squelched the badly needed high school.

John W. Daniel and Company of Danville submitted the low bid of \$9,745,000. Bids were opened in the latter part of December. However, over the next few weeks, the cost went up when some "extras" were added. The bid included the price of the construction of the new school and a vocational wing. The latter figure included special wall finishes in the vocational wing, paving in the parking lot and a greenhouse.

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The Nathalie post office.



Cluster Spring's Community Center.

New school issue splits county

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When the low bid was announced, the future of the school was in immediate doubt. The only way for the city and county to raise the money was by raising property taxes. Due to the effects of the recession, this move met with some bitter opposition among both taxpayers and members of the Board of Supervisors.

No amount of persuasion could sway this group of people. In an effort to show the community the need for a new school, an open house was held at both the junior and senior high schools. Visitors were asked to particularly come and see class changes and lunch periods as those are the most crowded times of day in the halls. The open house lasted one week; the turnout was poor, most of those coming already supporting construction.

After heated debate, the Board of Supervisors killed the school proposal. Then the city decided that it wanted a high school all its own. However, in order for this move to occur, an annexation suit would have probably been brought against the county by the city. South Boston City Council soon tabled this proposal.

Not giving up, the supporters for the consolidated school trudged onward. If they couldn't have the entire high school, the least that the Board of Supervisors could do would be to approve construction
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A lonely tree on Rt. 747.

Black Walnut Baptist Church





The county courthouse at Halifax.

South Boston Bank and Trust Company.





The rich farm lands at Liberty.

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of the vocational building. Such a structure would both provide facilities that do not presently exist and ease conditions in the old school building.

At the end of May, the County Board of Supervisors set up a committee to study the possibility of constructing the vocational building. Its fate is still undecided.

The "Gazette-Virginian" was

one spokesman for the opposition to the proposed school. Mr. Keith Shelton, managing editor, said that the case for this school was "not properly presented." Although he is not opposed to a new school or the improvement of education in Halifax County, and said "we badly need a vocational facility," he stressed the thought that this proposal "didn't really

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The post office at Turbeville.

Harvesting tobacco on Mr. H. R. Moorefield's farm.





A foggy morning near Virgilina.

Corn, the second largest crop in Halifax County, growing on Mr. Dallas Gravitt's farm.



New school issue splits county

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make a whole lot of sense to us." Mr. Shelton stated that first, the ultimate cost of the new school "exceeded the cost estimates originally given." Secondly, he was not sure that all the facts concerning the cost of operation were given. Finally, Mr. Shelton said he had the impression that the junior high facilities were to be completely abandoned. He believes that part of the junior high facility, however, is still good.

Naturally, great support for the proposed high school came from within the administration of the present one. Mr. Larry Clark, assistant vice-principal, was, and is, one of the proposed structure's biggest advocates. First of all, Mr. Clark stated, "I believe that the present facility is inadequate." Also, he believes that the community desperately needs vocational educational facilities to meet the needs of the great number of students who plan to work upon graduation. A third reason he believes to be the condition of this building, the junior high and the need for new facilities; financially the most reasonable thing to do would be to build a new facility.

Yes, Halifax County is a divided community. And the proposed high school has driven wedges into those figures, further splitting it. One side has won, at least temporarily; given time, perhaps the "other side" can sway the former, or vice versa, and unite this spread-out, rural area into a single-minded body.



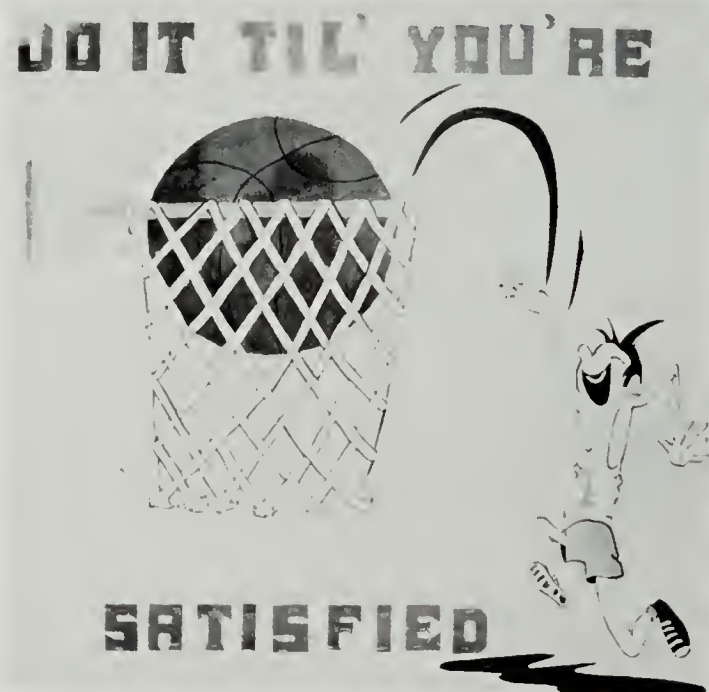
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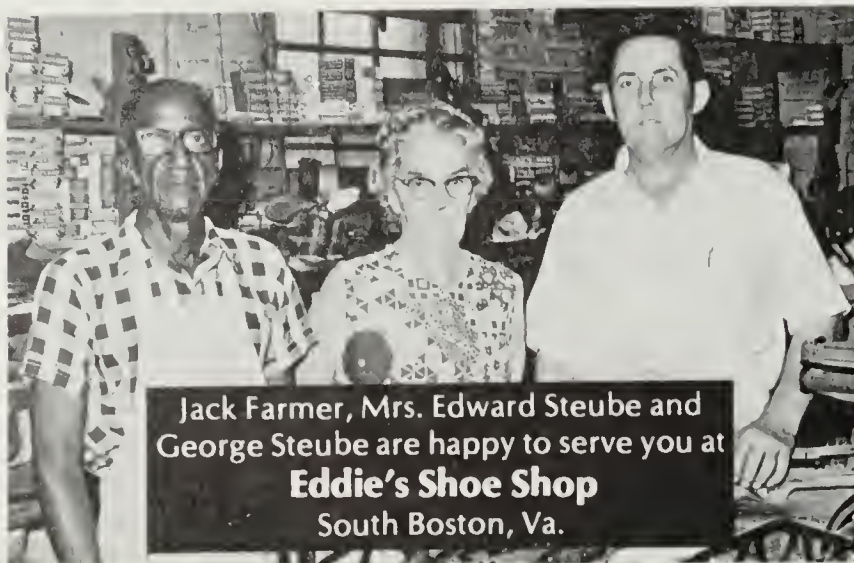
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MARCH: Halifax Community Hospital and South Boston General Hospital form a Mutual Abomination Society, with Rip Owen and Al Burkholder as co-head cheerleaders . . . The Supervisors list several high school options they will eliminate, among them the greenhouse, the gym, the auditorium and Dr. L. M. Venable . . . With beefsteak again in plentiful supply, never mind the prices, John Burton, Addison Marab, and others begin serious practice for the Mid-Summer Eating Championships.

APRIL: Supervisor O.B. Tate introduces a resolution to eliminate bathrooms in the new high school as one option ("I want to a school without them, and look at me," he said) . . . Mayor Bob MacDonald, coming out of winter hibernation at Scottsburg, tries to interest his Town Council in annexing Dryburg . . . Mayor Thomason appoints a committee to study the mating habits of the Main Street pigeons, which

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All smiles. The JV cheerleaders (**kneeling**) are Judy Allen, Donna Harris, Patti Ford, Arlene Chambers, (**standing**) Barbara Lewis, Sherry Talbott.

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On parade. The senior high flag corp displays the school colors as it marches in the Homecoming parade.

TESTIMONIALS



"I guess since they say that your high school years are the best years of your life, it must have been one of my best years."

—Gwen Guthrie

"I had a slightly smaller homework load, and this left more time to devote to myself. Most of all, school seemed a bit more relaxed."

—Andrea Holeman

"I think it was the hardest year I've ever had academicwise, but it was a year of which I will always hold good memories."

—Deborah Bowen

"Who could ever forget Mr. Dunn's duck jokes or Mr. Waynick's fourth period Latin II zoo?"

—Arnetta Furges

"It was a good year cause it was my year for graduation."

—Serita Wilkins

"I had to learn my way around and learn how much I could get away with without getting a yellow slip."

—M.C. Wood





A 180 day try

The time for instructions is over. The manual has been put into use. Some used it wisely; some didn't. But most gave it a 180 day try. The 2150 members of the Personnel Department have checked out the accessories, measured the horsepower, examined the warranty and investigated the financing. The 1975 manual can now be placed on the reference shelf to be succeeded by another manual for another, different year.



Day's end. Three-ten finds Donna Francis waiting to go home after a day filled with learning and friends.



Jumping whiz. Johnny Miller leaps during the long jump competition in a home track meet with GW.

Long blue line. After receiving their diplomas, the "B's" leave the stadium to become a part of the twenty-second group of alumni.



Albion, you are a rare one. you cut
you're just like E.T. you sit
me down, tell me how that stupid
you down, tell me how that stupid
d one, and stuff in 3rd power and
you didn't do much on a friend, set off your
in college meet you and you in what town?
died. Many God Bless you
B'JD 8/15/76

allison,

I pray this
 that Wilson doesn't
 catch me. I think
 in your book what she'll
 be telling you about. I
 do to me. Can you believe
 this you can't see clearly? Don't worry, I
 certainly will see that. I don't know if you could
 though, and I know you'd die if you could
 you good. I know you'd die if you could
 ever see me again. I think of all those poor
 of the lucky ones. I think of all those poor
 minutes who will bleed for them. When! She almost
 my heart just before I get stretched out on the rock.
 me. I'd best shut up before I get stretched out on the rock.
 I hope they don't have
 any more. Any wind faster than
 5 m.p.h. could blow us into
 the

Dear Allison,
 What a buddy you are
 I knew I was lucky to get a
 seat by you in Aug. but a seat
 by you in English, wow!
 Seriously, it's been fun and no-fun
 at times I'm just thankful there's
 a friend like you at both times.

Love,
 Mark

Dear Allison,
what a buddy you are!

I know I was lucky to get a seat by you in Iraq. I got a seat by you in England, too!

Seriously, it's been fun and "no-fun" at times. I'm just thankful there's a friend like you at both times.

Love,
Mark
Sompayrac

Don't have
all, we've
Any kind faster
All over home good
Hope you know a good
life because I want be
new for the 1st time
beance.

Allison,
To one, belly dancer from
another, best of luck.
We're at the concert
at school & I can't
concentrate on writing.
I'll finish later.
Love, Kate
Keep up your good
personality and best
of luck in everything you
you do. Take care!

ance.
Allyson
There's been a lot of illness
in this class this year. Seriously,
this has been a very enjoyable
class with you in it, you're
not so sweet but you make it
up in looks & you make it
that ring, (575-5707)
Love,
Darin

David Low

Allison

I know a lot of people have
probably try you this, so I tell
you again, you're crazy. It has been
fun having you in Mr. Walter's
Avern class.

Danny Wagstaff

Allison

So a very nice girl and
a even a better looking one

David Allen

Allison,
 Well, it's our
 senior year and boy
 am I glad. I've only a year
 known you for about a year
 but I feel so close to you as I
 do to those I've known since the 3rd
 grade. It seems as if ever since you
 and I do, we get caught in school all day this last
 year will stay in every thing you do! Keep
 in touch! Best of luck next year. Thanks for all your advice.
 Love always,
 Ramona

Allison,
 I'm not going to write any B.S.
 You are good looking and I've enjoyed
 knowing you and looking at you. I'm going
 to Raise Hell this summer and you will
 too if you know what's good for you. We'll have to
 get together out on the lake and Party all night
 until the boat sinks. Well, I'll check you later.
 Love,
 Drew

Allison,
 It's really been
 great knowing you.
 Remember when your
 first moved here? Down
 at the Grotto's? I'll always
 remember our secret saucers
 about Bill in Guidance! You
 were yourself at Tech! Best
 of luck in every thing you do!
 Love,
 Emory Duck

How I would make it without those wonderful lunches! Well, best to my love

out. as good by & be good, Calvin Road

Bill & me, I haven't known you very long but glad I've known you will & love. I just don't know

